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Mail handlers work at the United States Postal Service Processing and Distribution Center in Dulles, Virginia. The Postal Service said it approved nearly 50,000 requests last year from law enforcement agencies and its own internal inspection unit to secretly monitor the mail of ordinary Americans for use in criminal and national security investigations.

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## Report Reveals Wider Tracking of US Mail

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**WASHINGTON** - In a rare public accounting of its mass surveillance program, the U.S. Postal Service reported that it approved nearly 50,000 requests last year from law enforcement agencies and its own

internal inspection unit to secretly monitor the mail of ordinary Americans for use in criminal and national security investigations. The number of requests, contained in a little-noticed 2014 audit of the surveillance program by the Postal Service's inspector

general, shows that the surveillance program is more extensive than previously disclosed and that oversight protecting Americans from potential abuses is lax. The audit found that in many cases the Postal Service approved requests to monitor an individual's mail

without adequately describing the reason or having proper written authorization. In addition to raising privacy concerns, the audit questioned the efficiency and accuracy of the Postal Service in handling the requests. Many requests were

not processed in time, the audit said, and computer errors caused the same tracking number to be assigned to different surveillance requests.

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## Video: Islamic State hostage 'reports' for captors

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**Associated Press**

**BEIRUT (AP)** — A captive British photojournalist has been used by the Islamic State group to take on the role of a war correspondent in the extremists' latest propaganda video.

In the video, made public on Monday, John Cantlie calmly stands before a camera in what he identifies as the embattled Syrian town of Kobani. He asserts in the video that Islamic State group fighters have pushed deep into the town despite airstrikes by a U.S.-led coalition and that they are winning the battle against Kurdish forces.

The strange spectacle of a prisoner who has admitted to being afraid for his life being used as a spokesman is the latest of example of the IS's attention-getting approach to propagating its message and its threats. The Associated Press could not independently verify the video as authentic, although some of the images, including footage the Islamic State group says was shot by a drone, appear to be Kobani, a town near the Turkish border. Sporadic gunfire can be heard in the background. At one point in the 5½-minute report, a Turkish flag can be seen flying atop a grain silo; Cantlie is not in the same shot.

Although it was unclear exactly when the video was recorded, Cantlie mentions specific news reports and statements by Western officials from as recently as last week.

"Without any safe access,

there are no journalists here in the city," Cantlie intones in the video. He wears black clothes and is bearded. In previous videos, he wore an orange jumpsuit — as did the hostages beheaded by the extremists. IS militants launched an offensive on Kobani in mid-September, capturing dozens of Kurdish villages and entering parts of the town. The attack has displaced more than 200,000 people. American officials

"Airstrikes did prevent some groups of mujahedeen from using their tanks and heavy armor as they'd have liked, so they're entering the city and using light weapons instead, going house to house," Cantlie says in the video, a fly buzzing around his head. "The battle for Kobani is coming to an end," he continues. "The mujahedeen are just mopping up now, street to street and building to building. ... As you can hear, it is

used Cantlie as a public face. He's got a gun at his head, and he's being forced to do this. Right?" Cantlie said in the first Islamic State group video featuring him. "Well, it's true, I am a prisoner. That I cannot deny. But, seeing as I've been abandoned by my government and my fate now lies in the hands of the Islamic State, I have nothing to lose." Cantlie said he worked for publications including The Sun-



**In this still image taken from an undated video published by the Islamic State group militants, captive British journalist John Cantlie speaks into a camera in what he identifies as the embattled Syrian town of Kobani. In the video, Cantlie says Islamic State fighters have pushed deeper into the town despite airstrikes by a U.S.-led coalition. It's the latest propaganda video in which Cantlie is exploited by the extremists to take on the role of a war correspondent. AP cannot verify the location independently.**

(AP Photo)

say the U.S. has conducted dozens of airstrikes against the militants in and around the town, killing hundreds of Islamic State fighters. In contrast to those accounts, Cantlie gave the IS's different slant on the fighting.

very quiet — just occasional gunfire."

The video is entitled "Inside Ayn Al-Islam," the name IS uses for Kobani. The Arabic name for the predominantly Kurdish town is Ayn al-Arab.

Since September, IS has

day Times, The Sun and The Sunday Telegraph and was kidnapped by the Islamic State group shortly after he came to Syria in November 2012. He was previously held by militants for several days in July 2012 along with a Dutch journalist. □

## UN General Assembly condemns US Cuba embargo

**UNITED NATIONS (AP)** — The U.N. General Assembly voted Tuesday for the 23rd year in a row to condemn the U.S. commercial, economic and financial embargo against Cuba.

The symbolic vote passed 188-2, with only the U.S. and Israel voting against it. Three nations abstained: Palau, Micronesia and the Marshall Islands.

General Assembly resolutions are unenforceable but the vote has given Cuba an annual stage to

demonstrate the isolation of the U.S. on the embargo. The embargo was enacted in 1960 following Cuba's nationalization of properties belonging to U.S. citizens and corporations. Sanctions were strengthened to a near-total embargo in 1962.

Cuban Foreign Minister Bruno Rodríguez said 77 percent of Cubans have been born under the embargo "that has seriously impeded the economic development of the country."

"Although our social and health system have prevented the loss of lives, no honest person, in the world or in the United States, can support its devastating consequences," he said. Ronald D. Godard, a senior U.S. adviser for Western Hemisphere affairs, defended the policy and said "the Cuban government uses his annual resolution in an attempt to shift blame for the island's economic problems away from its own policy failures."

But U.S. attitudes towards the embargo are rapidly changing.

Former Secretary of State Hillary Clinton spoke out in favor of lifting it in her recent book "Hard Choices," saying it is longer useful to American interests or promoting change on the communist island. A recent Florida International University poll showed that about half Cuban-Americans surveyed in Miami support an end to the embargo. □

## Italy president testifies in trial over Mafia ties

**ROME (AP)** — Italy's president testified for three hours Tuesday behind closed doors in a Mafia trial over purported negotiations between the state and organized crime to stop terror attacks in the 1990s, an unprecedented comingling of politics, law enforcement and the mob inside the presidential palace.

The office of President Giorgio Napolitano said the 89-year-old president responded to all questions put to him, including those he could have refused to answer. Some questions came from the lawyer of Italy's most notorious mob boss, Salvatore "Totò" Riina.

Prosecutors were seeking Napolitano's testimony in connection with the trial of a former government official accused of giving false testimony in the investigation over purported state-mafia negotiations. Napolitano has not been accused of any wrongdoing and was called as a witness.

Magistrates traveled from Palermo to Rome to question Napolitano about communications he had with a now-deceased aide whose dealings with the main suspect, former Interior Minister Nicola Mancino, are being investigated.

Mancino is on trial for allegedly giving false testimony about purported negotiations between the state and the Mafia following the 1993 bombings of churches in Rome, the Uffizi museum in Florence, and a Milan park. Mancino has denied any negotiations.

Prosecutors allege that after the bombings on the mainland, government officials sought to cut a deal with Mafia bosses, promising more lenient prison conditions in exchange for calling off the bombing campaign.

Napolitano, who was president of Italy's lower chamber of deputies at the time, had said he had nothing useful to tell the court. □



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The surveillance program, officially called mail covers, is more than a century old, but is still considered a powerful investigative tool. At the request of state or federal law enforcement agencies or the Postal Inspection Service, postal workers record names, return addresses and any other information from the outside of letters and packages before they are delivered to a person's home. Law enforcement officials say this deceptively old-fashioned method of collecting data provides a wealth of information. (Opening the mail requires a warrant.)

Theodore Simon, president of the National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers, said he was troubled by the audit and the potential for the Postal Service to snoop uncontrolled into the private lives of Americans.

"It appears that there has been widespread disregard of the few protections that were supposed to be in place," Simon said.

In information provided to The Times earlier this year under the Freedom of Information Act, the Postal Service said that from 2001 through 2012,

local, state and federal law enforcement agencies made more than 100,000 requests to monitor the mail of Americans. That would amount to an average of some 8,000 requests a year - far fewer than the nearly 50,000 requests in 2013 that the Postal Service reported in the audit.

The difference is that the Postal Service apparently did not provide to The Times the number of surveillance requests made for national security investigations or those requested by its own investigation and law enforcement arm, the Postal Inspection Service. Typically the inspection service works hand in hand with outside law enforcement agencies that have come to the Postal Service asking for investigations into fraud, pornography, terrorism or other potential criminal activity.

The Postal Service also uses a program called Mail Imaging, in which its computers photograph the exterior of every piece of paper mail sent in the U.S. The program's primary purpose is to process the mail, but in some cases it is also used as a surveillance system that allows law enforcement agencies to request stored images of mail sent to and received by people they are investigating. □

## Obama:

# US can't shy away from Ebola battle

**JOSH LEDERMAN**  
**Associated Press**  
**WASHINGTON (AP)** — President Barack Obama said Tuesday that the United States can't be seen as shying away from battle against Ebola and must support health care work-

Obama said a robust response in Africa will stop the spread of the disease in the United States. He reminded Americans only two people have contracted the disease in the U.S. and both are now disease-free.

The president spoke to

it is shying away because other people are watching what we do," Obama said. "If we don't have robust international response in West Africa, then we are actually endangering ourselves here back home. In order to do that, we've got to make sure that those workers who are willing and able and dedicated to go over there in a really tough job, that they're applauded, thanked and supported. That should be our priority. And we can make sure that when they come back they are being monitored in a prudent fashion." A hodgepodge of state policies, some of which directly contradict Obama's recommendations, has sowed confusion about what's needed to stop Ebola from spreading in the United States. While public health advocates denounce state quarantines as draconian and scientifically baseless, anxious citizens in non-quarantine states are asking whether they're at greater risk because their governors and the president have adopted a lesser level of caution. For the first time, the Centers for Disease Control on Monday recommended 21 days of isolation and travel restrictions for people at highest risk for Ebola — a nurse stuck by a needle while treating an Ebola patient in Guinea, for example — even if they have no symptoms. □



**President Barack Obama pauses as he speaks to the media about Ebola before leaving the White House en route to Wisconsin, Tuesday, Oct. 28, 2014, on the South Lawn of the White House in Washington. The president said the US can't be seen as shying away from battle against Ebola.**

(AP Photo/Jacquelyn Martin)

ers who are returning from the front lines in Africa.

Obama did not directly criticize quarantine policies for returning health care workers implemented in the states of New York and New Jersey, but he said monitoring of those who come back from the fight needs to be prudent and "based in science."

"We don't want to discourage our health care workers from going to the front lines and dealing with this in an effective way," he said.

reporters from the White House after a phone call with one of those patients, nurse Amber Vinson, just after her release from the hospital. He also called a USAID team deployed to West Africa and said he plans to meet Wednesday with public health workers who have there or are planning to go to talk about how public policy "can support the incredible heroism that they are showing."

"America cannot look like





## Christie thrives on the road as Republican cheerleader

**MICHAEL BARBARO**

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MELBOURNE, Fla. - In one

breath, Gov. Chris Christie derided the Democratic candidate for governor

here as a washed-up, spotlight-addicted "loser"; in the next one, he offered a

clinical explanation of how much time had elapsed since a nurse under mandatory quarantine last ran a fever.

At one campaign rally, Christie warmly trumpeted Florida's Republican governor as a crime stopper and job creator; at the next one, he angrily denied that he had reversed his own policy for handling travelers from Ebola-ravaged countries.

It was never going to be simple, this juggling act of serving as a national Republican leader and the chief executive of New Jersey. But during the past 48 hours, as his state was plunged into the Ebola era, the incongruities and conflicting tugs of Christie's duties have become difficult to ignore. As the medical field pointedly questioned the wisdom of his policy, as the White House repeatedly urged him to rethink it and as a nurse quarantined in Newark angrily lashed out at him over it, Christie was here in Florida aboard a lumbering baby-blue campaign bus, cheerfully fulfilling his obligations as chairman of the Republican Governors Association a week before the midterm elections. "I'm really happy to be down here," he told crowds, as loud Springsteen songs welcomed him into tents and restaurants for events.

In feats of compartmentalization, he seemed to operate in two separate, identity-splitting spheres: the mischievous, pot-shot-taking partisan on the one hand, and the sober, crisis-managing governor on the other. But at times, the urgency of what was unfolding back at home was nowhere to be found in Christie's demeanor or message, producing a

series of jarring moments and images. At just about every event here, Christie was introduced by Gov. Rick Scott, who repeatedly joked that Christie was spending so much time in Florida that he would soon qualify for residency. Christie politely chuckled each time. When it was his turn to speak, Christie again and again eviscerated Scott's opponent on Nov. 4, former Gov. Charlie Crist, in unusually harsh terms. "You know how you know he's lying," Christie said of Crist. "His lips are moving."

Afterward, at stops in towns like Wellington, Boca Raton and Melbourne, Christie was swarmed by voters, who praised his record, posed with him for selfies and urged him to run for the White House. "I'm thinking about it," he told a woman in a blue-and-white dress, after she whispered the suggestion into his ear. It was not until - and unless - journalists asked Christie about Ebola at the end of these campaign events that he seemed to flip a switch, turn serious and burrow into the subject. Had he changed his quarantine policy by releasing the nurse? Absolutely not, he said. What did he have to say to critics of his policy? They can go fly a kite, he suggested. Those close to Christie argue that New Jersey residents are accustomed to, and unbothered by, his travels to 35 states on behalf of Republican governors. Asked about it not long ago, the governor declared that "most people, I think, have been very encouraging to me about doing the job that I've been doing regarding other governors and other candidates across the country." □



New Jersey Gov. Chris Christie speaks to a Hispanic audience while the Rev. Juan Eliel Garcia translates at Auditorio de la Fe in Pembroke Pines, Fla., Oct. 26, 2014. Over the past 48 hours, as he state was plunged into the Ebola era, the incongruities and conflicting tugs of Christie's duties have become difficult to ignore.

(Angel Valentin/The New York Times)





# Kerry expresses US solidarity with Canada

MATTHEW LEE

AP Diplomatic Writer  
OTTAWA, Ontario (AP) — The United States and Canada vowed Tuesday to step up already close counterterrorism and border security cooperation as U.S. Secretary of State John Kerry paid condolences to the Canadian people following last week's terror attacks. On his first trip to Canada since taking office, Kerry flew to Ottawa and went immediately to the National War Memorial to lay a wreath in honor of Cpl. Nathan Cirillo, the Canadian soldier killed there by a gunman believed to have been inspired by the Islamic State group. The attack on Wednesday was the second in three days in Canada, after an earlier incident in Quebec.

"There is nowhere safe for those who would pervert the teachings of a great religion, betray their neighbors and line up on the side of such pernicious groups such as al-Qaida and ISIL," Kerry told reporters after meeting Canadian Foreign Minister John Baird. "Together, on this side of the Atlantic and where necessary overseas, we will defeat the advocates and practitioners of terror, expose their hypocrisy and we will win the battle of ideas," he said.

Standing beside Kerry, Baird stressed Canada's resolve in fighting extremism.

"We cannot allow there to be a safe haven for this medieval savagery, or a launchpad for attacks on our home soil," Baird said. The pair of attacks in Canada have prompted concerns among some in the U.S. over security along the world's longest undefended border. But Baird noted that there has never been a successful terrorist attack across either border and officials traveling with Kerry said that while there is always room for improvement, Washington is satisfied with the current state of cooperation with Ottawa on the matter.

That said, Kerry pointed out



Secretary of State John Kerry and Canadian Foreign Minister John Baird shake hands at a meeting at the Canadian Department of Foreign Affairs in Ottawa, Canada, Tuesday, Oct. 28, 2014. (AP Photo/Carolyn Kaster, Pool)

that the U.S. and Canada "are always looking at ways to cooperate more" and would "continue to intensify our law enforcement, border security and intelligence sharing." He did not elaborate.

The officials with Kerry said there were virtually no areas of disagreement between the neighbors on big international issues, including the fight against extremism, the effort to halt the spread of the deadly Ebola virus and the crisis in Ukraine.

Indeed, on Ukraine both Kerry and Baird commended the country on its recent parliamentary elections and demanded that Russia halt any intervention in the east, where Kerry said the U.S. would not recognize planned upcoming elections in areas held by pro-Russian separatists.

During his brief visit, Kerry also met with Canadian Prime Minister Stephen Harper and with members of Parliament.

One area of U.S.-Canadian friction — delays and uncertainty in the Obama administration's decision over the Keystone XL pipeline — was raised in Kerry's meeting with Baird, both men said. But each played down dissension on the matter. □

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# House incumbents try to prevent another flip of seats

JESS BIDGOOD

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**GREENLAND, N.H.** - Carol Shea-Porter and Ann McLane Kuster, the two House Democrats running for re-election here, are probably well aware that a recent history of their seats looks a bit like musical chairs.

Shea-Porter won her seat in the 1st District on the wings of voter frustration with President George W. Bush in 2006, the same year a Democrat named Paul Hodes ousted the longtime Republican representative in the 2nd District, Charles Bass.

In 2010, Shea-Porter lost her seat to Frank Guinta, a Republican and the former mayor of Manchester, and Bass won his seat back, beating Kuster in her first try for the job, as voters across the nation revolted against the Affordable Care Act.

And in 2012, as voters gave President Barack Obama a second term, Shea-Porter was elected again, while Kuster beat Bass.

Now, Shea-Porter and Kuster are locked in tight re-election battles with op-

ponents who are eager to tie them to Obama, who has a 40 percent approval rating here. If the back-and-forth of recent history is any guide, their races could be a bellwether for the broader national po-

litical order when the dust settles after Election Day. The two races are playing out in genuine swing districts - the number of which, according to The Cook Political Report, decreased by 45 percent between 1998 and 2013 - with large groups of independent voters who are susceptible to political mood

the state, while the 1st District looks like a jagged bite out of its eastern side, and both encompass college towns, suburbs and mountainous swaths where the state's motto, Live Free or Die, feels particularly apt.

District saw just one Democrat serve (for two terms) between 1915 and 2007.

"This was not a swing district," Shea-Porter says of her district, "until I made it one."

Shea-Porter, 61, was a little-known but vocally anti-war social worker when she won her district's 2006 Democratic primary and then eked out a victory against the Republican incumbent, Jeb Bradley, with no help from national Democrats.

"In 2006, I kept saying, the middle class is stumbling, the poor have fallen," said Shea-Porter. "I think that struck a nerve and it still does." The district leans slightly Republican, with a broad base of independents, and so Shea-Porter is always on the edge - and lately, as it turns out, stuck in a tug-of-war with Guinta. After taking Shea-Porter's seat and then losing it back to her, Guinta, who has worked as an insurance consultant, has returned for a third round, and Politico has identified Shea-Porter as one of the five most endangered House members.

"That district in particular really seems to rise and fall with the fortunes of the president and the incumbent party nationally," said Dean Spiliotes, a civic scholar at Southern New Hampshire University. He added, "I think she's extremely vulnerable." □



Rep. Ann McLane Kuster (D-N.H.), left, talks with small business owner Andy Harthcock at his distillery in Nashua, N.H. If the back-and-forth of recent history is any guide, Kuster's race, along with that of her fellow Democrat, Rep. Carol Shea-Porter, could be a bellwether for the broader national political order when the dust settles after Election Day.

(Cheryl Senter/The New York Times)

swings and a variable turnout between midterm and presidential election years. "These voters tend to take out their frustrations with whoever they perceive to be in charge when things aren't going right," said David Wasserman, the House editor of The Cook Political Report. "That's made these districts look like Ping-Pong balls." The 2nd District runs from the bottom to the top of

"There just aren't that many purple states, so New Hampshire kind of sticks out," said Linda L. Fowler, a professor of government at Dartmouth College. "We're going to continue to see this kind of shifting back and forth." This wasn't always the case. The 1st District was held by Republicans from 1985 to 2007 (except for about a month when it was empty), while the 2nd



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## US Financial Front:

# American durable goods fell 1.3 percent in September



Workers perform final inspections on 2015 Ford Explorers on the assembly line at the Chicago Ford Assembly Plant in Chicago. The Commerce Department released durable goods for September on Tuesday, Oct. 28, 2014.

(AP Photo/M. Spencer Green)

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**AP Economics Writer**

**WASHINGTON (AP)** — Orders to U.S. companies for long-lasting manufactured goods fell for a second month in September, while a key category that signals business investment plans dropped by the biggest amount in eight months. The declines, however, were likely a temporary soft patch that will likely be followed by a resumption of stronger growth.

Orders for durable goods retreated 1.3 percent in September after a record 18.3 percent tumble in August, the Commerce Department reported Tuesday. The August drop followed a record 22.5 percent increase in July. The wide swings in both months were driven by the volatile aircraft category, which saw orders soar in July only to plunge in August.

A category that serves as a proxy for business investment fell 1.7 percent in September, the biggest drop since January.

Manufacturing has been a cornerstone of strength for the economy this year, and the recent weakness is not expected to be long-

lasting. Economists said they remained optimistic about the outlook for manufacturing, in large part because of their expectation that businesses will keep investing to expand and modernize their operations. Paul Ashworth, chief U.S. economist for Capital Economics, said he still expected solid business investment spending to support overall economic growth of around 3.3 percent in the third quarter.

For September, there was weakness in a number of areas. Demand for transportation goods fell 3.7 percent, with orders for commercial aircraft falling 16.1 percent. Demand for motor vehicles and parts slipped 0.1 percent. Orders for machinery fell 2.8 percent, and demand for computers declined 5.3 percent.

Demand for primary metals such as steel rose 2.2 percent, while orders for appliances rose 1.8 percent.

On Thursday the government will release its first estimate for overall economic growth for the third quarter as measured by the gross domestic product. Analysts project that the economy

grew at a 3 percent annual rate, and many believe growth will continue at that healthy clip in the final three months of this year.

The first half of the year was much more of a roller coaster, with the economy shrinking at an annual rate of 2.1 percent in the first quarter, reflecting the impact of a harsh winter and other adverse factors,

and then bouncing back to growth of 4.6 percent in April-June period. The Institute for Supply Management reported that its closely watched barometer of manufacturing performance fell to 56.6 in September from 59 in August.

Analysts said that the slowdown was consistent with a recent drop-off in global demand due to economic

weakness in Europe and China and the rising value of the dollar, which makes American goods more expensive overseas.

But economists believe that American companies will still see enough in export gains in coming months which, when combined with strong domestic demand, will keep U.S. factories humming.



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Joe Nasco, 30, holds multiple part-time jobs so that his wife, Amber, can stay home with their newborn daughter, Caroline.

Clint Irwin, 25, is sharing a three-bedroom house with two roommates while chasing his dream career.

The three men are not much different from thousands of young Americans trying to make ends meet, and their financial struggles, in this way, are unexceptional. But the men also happen to be professional athletes, goalkeepers for the Colorado Rapids in Major League Soccer.

In many ways, this year has been a high-water mark for soccer in the United States. After years of fighting to gain recognition alongside the more established major sports in the country, soccer reached an unprecedented level of public consciousness during last summer's World Cup, where an intrepid run by the U.S. team charmed a fresh crop of casual fans. Major League Soccer has gone along for the ride. While its revenue and ratings still lag far behind billion-dollar behemoths like the NFL and Major League Baseball, MLS, which opens its postseason this week, has minted its own crop of multimillionaire players, has established attendance records and is set for an infusion of television money starting next year.

Yet in some ways, salaries in the league show how far the sport has to go. While the best-paid players in MLS - American stars like

Clint Dempsey (\$6.7 million) and Michael Bradley (\$6.5 million) along with a smattering of imported stars - command salaries comparable to or better than what they would make in Europe's best leagues, they remain American soc-

changes.

"Rosters cannot be built solely at the top," said Bob Foose, the executive director of the Major League Soccer Players Union. "In addition to investment in designated players, the middle of the MLS salary

num of \$48,500. He and wife just had their first child. To supplement his salary, he gives private goalkeeping lessons to middle school students during the week, and on the weekends, when not traveling with the Rapids, he works

than 41 percent since the last collective bargaining agreement five years ago. Foose, the head of the player's union, argued that even established veteran players "have consistently been underpaid for their contributions."

Such points will be argued in the labor talks, which will help shape the future of soccer in this country. While butting heads over player compensation and a host of other issues, the two sides are also expected to clash on the subject of free agency. Since beginning play in 1996, MLS has always operated as a single-entity structure, with the league controlling all player contracts and movement.

But players' salaries will be the most visceral battle. The league's median salary is about \$92,000, with an average of about \$226,000 in guaranteed money, and there is a belief in the union that the number must be considerably higher to attract and retain better talent, which in turn would ensure the future of the league. In contrast, the average salary at the top level of the English Premier League is about \$2.57 million, although it is considerably less at lower levels.

Minimum salaries represent only a portion of the MLS financial picture. Yet those figures have a strong symbolic value as benchmarks of prosperity and must also "increase significantly," Foose said, "so that all MLS players can focus solely on maximizing their development and performance."

The minimum salary in the NFL is \$420,000; in MLB, it is \$500,000; in the NBA, it is \$507,336; and in the NHL, it is \$550,000. □



Colorado Rapids goalkeeper Joe Nasco works with participants in a youth goalkeeper camp in Commerce City, Colo., one way he supplements his pay as a Major League Soccer player, Oct. 26, 2014. Nearly a third of the MLS's total payroll of about \$130 million goes to the seven best-paid players, and for each of them there are dozens of others making \$50,000 or less.

(Justin Edmonds/The New York Times)

cer's 1 percent. According to figures released annually by the league's players union, only 23 of the 572 players listed had a base salary greater than the minimum salary in the NHL, a league that MLS has been trying to overtake in popularity. Nearly a third of the league's total payroll of about \$130 million goes to the seven best-paid players, and for each of them there are dozens of others making \$50,000 or less.

For that much larger group, the payoff for soccer's recent rise has been negligible - and negotiations this winter for a new labor agreement could determine how much that

structure needs to be substantially improved in order to retain and attract talent and reward those players who contribute on the field every week."

Berner's salary this year is \$36,500, the MLS minimum for players under the age of 25. The money does not go far. He devotes several hundred dollars a month to repaying student loans and the bills on his 2007 Jeep Grand Cherokee. His income is sufficiently low that he qualified for an affordable housing unit in his Denver apartment building.

Nasco makes about \$53,000, a shade more than the senior player mini-

as an instructor at a soccer academy. Like many MLS players, he takes home leftover food, snacks and drinks from the club's practice facility to save money on meals.

Mark Abbott, the president and deputy commissioner of MLS, said the league, which does not have an established minor league system, must devote part of its clubs' 30-man rosters to the development of players. He said such players, like minor leaguers in other sports, make justifiably lower salaries while being given the chance to ascend to a higher level. And, Abbott said, minimum salaries were raised more





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## Merkel among dignitaries remembering WWI battle



Belgium's Prime Minister Charles Michel, left, German Chancellor Angela Merkel, second left, Belgian Queen Mathilde, right, and Grand Duke Henri of Luxembourg, watch poppies falling from the rooftop as she attends a ceremony at the Menin gate in Ypres, western Belgium on Tuesday, Oct. 28, 2014.

(AP Photo/Yves Logghe)

### YVES LOGGHE

Associated Press  
YPRES, Belgium (AP) —  
Leaders and dignitaries

from former World War I  
enemies united Tuesday to  
mark the centenary of the  
first big battle on the infa-

mous Flanders Fields which  
helped set the stage for  
four years of bloodletting  
by hundreds of thousands

on the Western Front.

German Chancellor Angela Merkel spoke Tuesday of the "immeasurable sacrifice" the war caused and said all sides "cannot but be grateful for how much has changed since."

World War I claimed an estimated 14 million lives, including 5 million civilians and 9 million soldiers. At least 7 million troops were left permanently disabled. "The standards of civilization were no longer valid," said Merkel. "Nationalism clouded the senses."

The combatants dug in along a line of fortified trenches that extended from the North Sea to Switzerland — a front line that remained essentially unchanged throughout the war. French Defense Minis-

ter Jean-Yves Le Drian said the old hatred and grudges had been left behind, as cemeteries with German and French soldiers sometimes lie side by side to decry the horrors of war.

"The soldiers of this war have long shed their uniforms. These victims deserve all the same respect," Le Drian said at the ceremony on the Belgian coast. "It is why the remembrance is there to bring the belligerents of 1914 together in a common goal — a united Europe," he said. After the seaside ceremony, the leaders went to nearby Ypres, once a prosperous medieval town which was flattened by relentless fighting during 1914-1918, to hear a special rendition of the Last Post. □

## EU officially clears French, Italian budgets

### RAF CASERT

Associated Press  
BRUSSELS (AP) — The European Union's head office said Tuesday it is giving the 2015 French and Italian budgets a provisional green light, saying last-minute commitments to keep deficits down kept them within limits. EU Monetary Affairs Commissioner Jyrki Katainen said that he could not "immediately identify cases of 'particularly serious non-compliance'" with EU rules that force the euro member states to observe strict limits on spending. France and Italy were accused of being too profligate in their budgetary spending plans at a time when the EU and the euro zone have been advocating strict austerity as the best way to beat the financial crisis. Without naming any member state, Katainen said those that had come un-

der initial suspicion of failing to play by those austerity rules "have responded constructively to our concerns." The wrangling about the extent of a nation's budget deficit highlights a fundamental economic debate in Europe about whether spending to spur growth or sustained austerity is the best way to get out of the crisis which has hit the EU for the past half-decade. France has a 21-billion-euro cost-cutting plan for next year and announced an extra 3.6 billion euros on Monday to appease the EU head office. Yet, those projects still see France heading for a 4.3 percent deficit next year. It will keep the pressure on Paris high to bring its deficit below the EU standard threshold of 3 percent of gross domestic product within two years. Though the Italian budget will respect the 3 percent

limit, its overall debt is extremely high and Rome has said it will delay balancing the budget until 2017. The cabinet of Premier Matteo Renzi late Tuesday reduced its deficit plans by another 4.5 billion euros at the request of the EU to bring down its debt to GDP ratio to 2.6 percent next year. The EU head office itself is under heavy pressure to enforce the rules, especially when two of the larger euro economies threaten to flout them. Working with a strict austerity template, it wants to keep member states from building up huge debts of the kind that plunged the region into a crisis five years ago. Katainen must have his final opinion on the budgets ready by the end of November. "Any shortcomings or risks will be clearly highlighted at that point," he said. □



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## Iraqi Kurdish fighters set to head to Syria

**BRAM JANSSEN**  
**Associated Press**

**IRBIL, Iraq (AP)** — Dozens of Iraq's Kurdish peshmerga fighters will fly to Turkey on Tuesday and from there cross into the Syrian border town of Kobani to help fellow Kurds fight Muslim militants, a spokesman for the Kurdish force said. According to the spokesman, Halgurd Hekmat, the peshmerga fighters will leave the city of Irbil,

in Iraq's semi-autonomous Kurdish region, later in the day. He gave no further details. Last week, the local Iraqi Kurdish government authorized the peshmerga forces to go to neighboring Syria and help fellow Kurds combat Islamic State militants in Kobani. A total of 150 peshmerga fighters were authorized to go to Kobani through Turkey. Turkey, which has riled Kurd-

ish leaders and frustrated Washington by refusing to allow fighters or weapons into Kobani, said last week it would help Iraqi Kurdish fighters cross into Syria. On Tuesday afternoon, a large peshmerga convoy with heavy weapons was seen in Irbil, driving towards the Iraqi Kurdish area of Dohuk. The convoy was moving by land and it was not immediately clear if the fighters had left

or would leave on a plane and the convoy would drive to Turkey. Idriss Nassan, a Kurdish official from Kobani, told The Associated Press that they have no confirmation that peshmerga fighters were to arrive Tuesday. "We have no information other than what we are reading on social media or hearing on the news," Nassan said by telephone from Turkey. He added that the peshmera-

ga command might have direct contact with the Syrian Kurdish force known as the Peoples' Protection Units, or YPG, and for that reason Kurdish politicians in Syria are not aware of the movement. The Islamic State group launched its offensive on Kobani and nearby villages in mid-September in battles that have killed more than 800 people, according to activists. □

## Israel attorney general probes Palestinian bus ban

**JERUSALEM (AP)** — Israel's attorney general is questioning an edict issued by the country's defense minister this week that would effectively bar thousands of Palestinian laborers travelling home to the West Bank from taking public buses with Israeli settlers. The decision would also require the Palestinian workers to travel only through specific military checkpoints when returning to their homes in the West Bank. Israel's Justice Ministry said on Tuesday that Attorney General Yehuda Weinstein called on Defense Minister Moshe Yaalon to explain the directive, which was first reported on Sunday. Weinstein asked for a clarification — and an explanation of the considerations behind it — by Nov. 9. According to the Haaretz daily, the new measure would be imple-

mented in December. The directive was welcomed by a group representing some Israelis living in the West Bank who had petitioned the minister,

meant to ensure security. "There is no prohibition to travel on buses with Israelis," Harel said. "The only thing is that the workers will have to return through

attacks." "But there is no prohibition to travel with Israelis and we are not prohibiting Palestinians from working in Israel," Harel said. However, the

who will effectively be banned from using public buses. It said the procedure is "thinly veiled pandering to the demand for racial segregation on buses." Every day, thousands of Palestinians enter Israel for work from the West Bank, territory Israel captured from Jordan in the 1967 war and which Palestinians want as part of their future state. Oren Hazan, from the West Bank settlement of Ariel, welcomed the decision, which he said came after months of petitioning by some Jewish settlers from the area. Hazan said the campaign was due to security concerns. He said there was "rampant" sexual harassment of Israeli women by Palestinian workers on the buses and rejected allegations of discrimination. "If you go to the U.S. border without a visa you would not be allowed to enter," he said. □



**Palestinian workers stand under a shelter to keep dry from the rain as they wait for transportation after crossing from the West Bank town of Qalqilya to work in Israel, at the Israeli army's checkpoint near Kibbutz Eyal in central Israel. Israel's attorney general is questioning an edict from the country's defense minister that would effectively bar thousands of Palestinian laborers traveling home to the West Bank from taking public buses with Israeli settlers.**

(AP Photo/Oded Balilty)

saying it was out of concerns for their safety. Yaalon's spokesman Ofer Harel said the measure

the same crossing they came through, in order for there to be oversight and to reduce the chances of

Israeli human rights group B'Tselem says the ban is a discriminatory measure against the Palestinians,

## Tunisians shun Islamists in vote for stability

**PAUL SCHEMM**  
**Associated Press**

**TUNIS, Tunisia (AP)** — Tunisia's well-organized Islamists have been defeated in parliamentary elections, paying the price for the turbulent years they ruled after the Arab Spring that saw the rise of terrorist groups in this North African nation. Voters sought security and stability with familiar faces from Tunisia's more authoritarian past, but the Islamists' substantial weight

in the new parliament will make them a player in any future government. Results from the official election commission are just beginning to trickle in, with only three Tunisian districts reported by Tuesday morning. But exit polling and statistical sampling of voting station results by observer groups have produced a remarkably uniform picture. The party Nida Tunis (Tunisia Calls) led by an 87-year-old veteran poli-

tician from the previous regime took around 35 percent of the seats of the parliament, giving it the right to present a prime minister and form a governing coalition. The Islamists trailed with just 25 percent of the seats. Nida Tunis presented itself as the answer to the moderate Islamists of the Ennahda Party, which had struggled to guide the country through post-revolutionary turmoil after dominating the 2011 elec-

tions. Critics charged the Islamists with being soft on terrorists and incompetent managers. "I promise only one thing and that is to re-establish the state," Beji Caid Essebsi, the founder of Nida Tunis, said in an interview on national TV late Monday. "All our problems resulted from the lack of a state." Essebsi was a foreign minister in the 1980s, under the country's first post-independent president Habib Bourguiba, and was brief-

ly interim prime minister in 2011, after the revolution. Essebsi evokes the good old days of Tunisia, with a strong economy and a focus on education — while ignoring its authoritarian aspects. The party effectively tapped into voters' fear of instability, as food prices put a strain on the middle class and the assassination of left-wing politicians and militant attacks in the mountains struck fear into ordinary Tunisians. □





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## Toronto elects a new mayor, ends Ford era

ROB GILLIES

Associated Press

TORONTO (AP) — Toronto's next mayor will be a straight-laced, button down moderate conservative — almost the polar opposite of current Mayor Rob Ford, whose term was plagued by scandals involving public drinking and illegal drug use.

John Tory won Monday's election with 40 percent of the vote, compared to 33 percent for Doug Ford, brother of the outgoing mayor. Left-leaning Olivia Chow was third with nearly 23 percent, with 100 percent of polling stations reporting.

"Torontonians want to see an end to the division that has paralyzed city hall for the past four years, and to all that I say, 'Toronto, I hear you. I hear you loud and clear,'" Tory told cheering supporters, vowing to restore Toronto's reputation on the international stage. Rob Ford's four-year tenure as mayor of Canada's largest city was marred by his drinking and crack cocaine use. He announced last month that he wouldn't seek re-election as he battles a rare form of cancer. His brother, a city councillor, ran in his place.

"Hallelujah!" Ontario Premier Kathleen Wynne said upon learning the election results while on a trade mission in China.

Nelson Wiseman, a University of Toronto political science professor, said Toronto municipal politics will unlikely be international news with Tory as mayor.

"Personality wise they are mirror opposites but anybody is dull compared to Rob Ford," Wiseman said. "It's been an outrageously entertaining circus. Alas the curtain has come down." Doug Ford's supporters

booed when he congratulated Tory on his victory. Doug Ford later said the scandals played a part in the loss but said he was "super proud" of his brother. "I still believe he's the best mayor ever," Doug Ford said.

However, Rob Ford will not disappear from Toronto politics anytime soon.

Despite the cancer, he opted to seek the City Council seat held by his brother from the Etobicoke district in western Toronto where he launched his political career. He won his old seat in a landslide Monday and said he will run for mayor again in four years.

"I will be the first person to sign up in 2018," Rob Ford told the Toronto Sun. He strongly hinted that earlier and noted that the Ford family never gives up. Ford has previously said the doctors have told him he has a 50-50 chance of surviving the rare cancer in his abdomen, malignant liposarcoma.

He was returning to the hospital on Wednesday for another round of tests. After months of denials, Rob Ford in 2013 acknowledged he had smoked crack cocaine in one of his "drunken stupors," but he refused to resign. The City Council stripped Ford of most of his powers but lacked the authority to force him out of office because he wasn't convicted of a crime.

Ford announced he was entering rehab for drugs and alcohol in April 2014 after newspaper reports detailed three nights in which he was extremely intoxicated. One report was about a video that appeared to show him smoking a crack pipe again — nearly a year after reports of a similar video first brought interna-

tional attention.

Rob Ford's antics made him the target of late-night television comedians in the U.S. Last March, he appeared on "Jimmy Kimmel Live!" after months of wooing by the talk-show host, who introduced his guest by saying he "has tripped, bumped, danced, argued and smoked his way into our national consciousness."

When Ford was elected mayor in 2010, his drug and alcohol use weren't known — but his bluster was.

A plurality of voters backed him, eager to shake things up at a City Hall they viewed as elitist and wasteful. Ford's voter base resided mainly in those outer suburbs like Etobicoke. □



Newly elected Mayor John Tory, right, stands with his wife Barbara Hackett as he waves to supporters at a rally after winning the municipal election in Toronto.

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**Pope Francis meets with participants of the Global Meeting of Popular Movements, at the Vatican, Tuesday, Oct. 28, 2014.**  
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## Pope delivers mini-encyclical on poor

**NICOLE WINFIELD**  
**Associated Press**

**VATICAN CITY (AP)**—Pope Francis delivered an off-the-cuff, mini-encyclical on the rights of the poor, the injustices of unemployment, and the need for environmental protection Tuesday, saying he's not preaching communism but the Gospel. Francis' remarks to the World Meeting of Popular Movements, delivered in his native Spanish, ran for more than six pages, single-spaced. It was one of the longest speeches of his pontificate and a clear sign that the issues are particularly close to his heart. Francis said the poor need land, a roof over their head and work, and said he knew well that "If I talk

about this, some will think that the pope is communist." "They don't understand that love for the poor is at the center of the Gospel," he said. "Demanding this isn't unusual, it's the social doctrine of the church." Francis has already been branded a Marxist by conservative U.S. commentators for his unbridled criticism of capitalist excesses, for his demand that governments redistribute social benefits to the needy, and his call for the church to be a "poor church, for the poor." His speech Tuesday broadened his concerns to include the environment, the rights for farmers to have land, and for young people to have

work. He promised that the concerns of the poor would be highlighted in his upcoming encyclical on ecology and the environment. "Today I want to unite my voice with yours and accompany you in your fight," he said. Among those in the audience were Argentine "cartoneros," who sift through garbage looking for recyclable goods. As archbishop of Buenos Aires, then-Cardinal Jorge Mario Bergoglio was particularly close to the cartoneros; as pope he has maintained his support for their plight. Francis had an informal meeting Tuesday with Bolivian President Evo Morales, who was part of the delegation. □

## Patient Zero in Ebola outbreak was a Guinean village toddler

**MARIA CHENG**  
**AP Medical Writer**

**LONDON (AP)**—In the Guinean village where the current West African Ebola outbreak began, 14 graves mark the spot where the lethal virus began to spiral out of control. International aid workers who recently visited Meliandou say nothing is normal anymore and that families have been ripped apart by the devastating toll of the virus. The first known victim of the current outbreak was 2-year-old Emile Ouamouno, who lived in the picturesque forest village with his parents and three sisters, including 4-year-old Philomene. The boy fell sick last December with a mysterious illness that caused fever, black stools and vomiting. About a week after his death, Philomene got sick and died. She was shortly followed by the children's pregnant mother and grandmother. It would be months before international health officials identified little Emile as West Africa's "patient zero" in a deadly outbreak that continues to double in size every few weeks. So far, Ebola has been blamed for the deaths of nearly 5,000 people among more than 10,000 cases, the vast majority in West Africa. "Emile loved to dance and Philomene liked to carry little babies on her back and pretend she was a mom," said Suzanne Beukes of UNICEF, who spoke with their father Etienne during her trip earlier this month to Meliandou, a village without any health facility, more than a two-hour drive from the capital, Conakry. Etienne burned the clothing and blankets of his two children killed by Ebola, but kept the small red radio that Emile often asked him to switch on so he could dance to the music. The bodies of Emile, Philomene and their mother are buried next to the two-room house where Etienne lives with his second wife and three daughters. "When we asked him what Emile was like, his face changed," Beukes said. "It's almost like a mask had been removed and the trauma of what he had been through became very visible." Beukes said Ebola has killed at least 14 people in the settlement of about 500, though health officials say the actual case count is probably two to four times higher than official numbers. Visiting Meliandou with colleagues as part of a project to assess Ebola's impact on children and the region, Beukes saw that the village was dotted with graves of Ebola victims. People initially buried the dead next to their homes so they could be close to the spirits of the deceased. Like other farmers in the village, Beukes said Etienne now struggles to sell his produce since outsiders fear they could be contaminated with Ebola. □





## Diamonds International's Latest Lend-A-Hand Project a Success!

**ORANJESTAD** – As the largest jewelry retailer in the Caribbean, Diamonds International feels it is their corporate responsibility to give back and support their islands, which is why they set-up a charity organization 'The Lend-A-Hand Projects' to do just that. Lend-A-Hand Projects is essentially a program established to help community/charity and environmental projects that need a helping hand. They offer their greatest attribute, their workforce, to worthy projects that need a few extra hands to get a job done.

Last Thursday, October 23rd, 2014, Diamonds International held what was the sixth Lend-A-Hand project since the company started with their first project back in 2013. This time the Lend-A-Hand team spent a full day at Stichting Funari lending a hand. The team consisted of twenty Diamonds International employees and worked hard organizing and painting indoors. It is important to highlight that this project



was very special since not only an organization was helped but it is a contribution to protect the Aruban history and culture. The building from where Stichting Funari operates is more than one hundred years old and is on the Aruban monument list. This means it is a building full of Aruban history and lending a hand painting and organizing makes the Lend-A-Hand team very proud and satisfied.

During the day the Lend-A-Hand team got the opportunity to spend a couple of minutes with the clients of Stichting Funari and so get to know whom the team was helping. The Lend-A-Hand team is happy, proud and satisfied to leave a bright and clean gym- and recreation room behind for the clients of Stichting Funari that spent their days there.

The management team of Diamonds International

would like to give a special thank you one more time to the Lend-A-Hand team for volunteering and taking this project so serious and doing it with so much passion and enthusiasm. And it is very important to express gratitude to the Nannelle Croes, Director Stichting Funari, for opening their doors to us and giving us the opportunity to make a contribution to their organization and let Diamonds International keep making an on-

going difference in Aruba. This was Diamonds the last Lend-A-Hand project for 2014. Diamonds International will continue with more projects next year. If you have a project that could benefit from the Lend-A-Hand team contact [aruba@shopdi.com](mailto:aruba@shopdi.com), or call 588-0443. Search for Diamonds International Aruba on Facebook to follow their future projects.





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## The Francis family Enjoys Salt & Pepper!

**PALM BEACH** - The Francis family, consisting of father Robert, mom Wendy and son Robert Jr. were spotted at Salt & Pepper Restaurant in the Arawak Garden this week. Something to put in the newspaper, you might ask?

Yes, because these second-time visitors took the time to tell us why they are having the time of their lives on the island. "We love the trade wind, the beaches, the people and, of course, Salt & Pepper Restaurant," they say. We love to hear things like that, so we made them newsworthy.



At Salt & Pepper, Robert, Wendy and Robert Jr. loved the breakfast as well as the chicken wrap and the grouper. They found the restaurant on the cozy

plaza across from the Occidental Resort by just walking past. This family vacation will go into the books as a super memory. □

## Announcement: Bluegreen announces Aruba Sales and Marketing Operations closing

**EAGLE BEACH** - Yesterday, Craig Robbins, Vice President of National Sales and Marketing for Bluegreen Properties N.V. explained to all of their employees that they have had to make the difficult decision to close the Sales and Marketing operation at LaCabana Beach Resort and Casino in Aruba, which unfortunately affects 42 jobs. All current jobs are being eliminated. Bluegreen Properties N.V. had been operating a Sales & Marketing operation in Aruba since 1999, focusing on the sale and marketing of timeshare units in the La Cabana Beach & Racquet Club. They have approached the Government Mediator and representatives of the

union to discuss the current situation. They have also met with the Minister of Labor and informed the Director of the Labor Department. They will continue to stay in touch with the employees and work with them through this difficult transition. Bluegreen Properties N.V. informs they will continue to have a presence in Aruba. They will have 2 Bluegreen Owner Representatives to assist local Bluegreen owners as well those owners that travel to Aruba through their Bluegreen Ownership. They thank all the employees for their hard work during the years at LaCabana and will always treasure their history and relationships there. □





# BABY BOOM

Serbia's Novak Djokovic returns the ball to German Philipp Kohlschreiber during their first round match at the ATP World Tour Masters tennis tournament at Bercy stadium in Paris, France, Tuesday, Oct. 28, 2014. Djokovic won 6-3, 6-4.

(AP Photo/Michel Euler)

## Djokovic Wins 1st Match Since Birth of His Son

TRUNG LATIEULE

Associated Press

**PARIS (AP)** — In his first match since the birth of his first child, defending champion Novak Djokovic stayed on course to fin-

ish the season as No. 1 by defeating Philipp Kohlschreiber 6-3, 6-4 in the second round of the Paris Masters on Tuesday. The top-seeded Djokovic took a 5-1 lead in the first set and broke his

German opponent in the opening game of the second. "Very good match considering the fact that I didn't play indoors for a year," Djokovic said. "I struggled a little bit physi-

cally. It was a pretty tough couple of weeks." Fernando Verdasco of Spain and Kevin Anderson of South Africa also reached the third round. Anderson fired 12 aces in

his 6-4, 7-6 (8) win over Santiago Giraldo of Colombia while Verdasco outlasted Frenchman Gilles Simon 6-3, 3-6, 6-4.

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## Bishop Leaves with Wrong Legacy at PGA of America

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## Bishop leaves with wrong legacy at PGA of America

**DOUG FERGUSON**

**AP Golf Writer**

**ST. SIMONS ISLAND, Georgia (AP)** — Ted Bishop spent Tuesday trying to salvage whatever was left of his legacy as the 38th president of the PGA of America.

That he was even talking about a legacy is part of what got him into this mess. Can anyone think of the legacy left by any of the 37 presidents who preceded him? And for those who are not deeply vested in the golf industry, does anyone even remember who was the last president of the PGA of America?

The PGA of America has the most important role in golf, just not the most glamorous. It has 27,000 men

and women who rightfully claim to be recognized experts in teaching and growing the game. It runs the PGA Championship once a year, the Ryder Cup every four years. Celebrity is found on the PGA Tour, which split from the PGA of America nearly 50 years ago behind Jack Nicklaus and Arnold Palmer.

Bishop was more about celebrity. This is one PGA president people will remember, just not the way he wanted.

"Of all the presidents I dealt with, he was more into competing to win," said Davis Love III, part of eight Ryder Cup teams as a player, assistant and a captain. "His mission was not to grow the Ryder Cup.



**Now outgoing PGA of America President Ted Bishop speaks next to the Presidents Cup trophy at a news conference at City Hall in San Francisco, in this July 2014 photo. Bishop spent Tuesday trying to salvage whatever was left of his legacy as the 38th president of the PGA of America.**

(AP Photo/Jeff Chiu)

It was to win. And I love that about him. We've talked so much in the last year

about what's going on with the Ryder Cups before and after. His heart is in the right place."

And then he paused before adding wistfully, "Just maybe not his comments." Those comments directed at Ian Poulter — on Twitter he called him a "Lil Girl" and in a Facebook post that he sounded "like a little girl squealing during recess" — marked an unceremonious end to 23 months of Bishop bringing too much attention to himself.

The potential for that was there even before he began his two-year term. Bishop is exceptional as a public speaker, which makes it easy to be seduced by the spotlight.

"I think I abused my platform," a contrite Bishop said Tuesday on Golf Channel. "I had lived on the edge for two years with a lot of quotes."

He was the first to oppose the new rule that bans the anchored stroke used for long putters, but he didn't stop there. In a series of interviews and emails with Golf World magazine in April, he took on R&A and chief executive Peter Dawson for not accepting input. And then he poked the R&A by showing the evidence of not being inclusive was "their unwillingness to accept women as members."

The R&A voted to accept

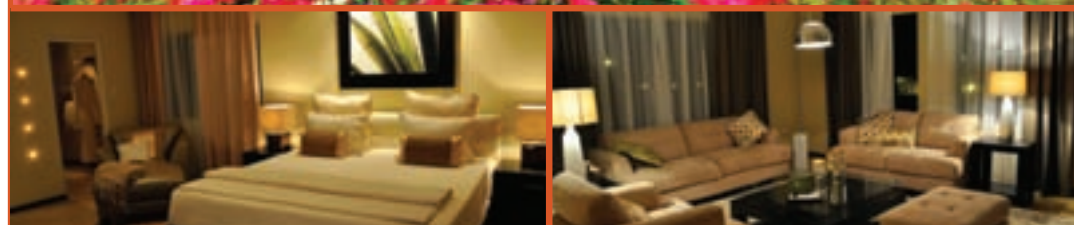
female members in September.

Bishop also floated the idea of taking the PGA Championship overseas, even mentioning as a possibility Royal Portrush in Northern Ireland, which was clamoring for a British Open. Royal Portrush is now on the Open rotation.

He also took a risk by appointing Tom Watson as the Ryder Cup captain, even though Watson had not been at a Ryder Cup since he last was captain in 1993. The move backfired when Watson made a series of curious decisions with his picks and his line-ups, and then the choice was exposed when Phil Mickelson — with Watson in the room — talked in a press conference about how America had strayed from its winning formula of inclusiveness.

And when the Americans lost, and Watson was criticized, Bishop took it personally. That's why he couldn't resist firing back at Poulter, who in his recently published book mentioned Watson's shortcomings. Poulter also called out Nick Faldo for referring to Sergio Garcia as "useless" in 2008 when Faldo was captain and Europe lost for the only time in the last 15 years.

"I guess there had been a lot of emotions that had been building up in me since the Ryder Cup," Bishop said.



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# Dortmund gets back to winning ways in German Cup

**BERLIN (AP)**— Borussia Dortmund set aside its Bundesliga troubles on Tuesday with a 3-0 win at St. Pauli in the second round of the German Cup.

Dortmund, last season's beaten finalist, was looking for relief after losing its last four league games, and the visitors started strongly against the second-division side in Hamburg.

Ciro Immobile, who arguably had a good goal ruled out for offside early on, opened the scoring in the 33rd minute. Kevin Grosskreutz cut the ball back and Shinji Kagawa helped it on for the Italy striker to convert from close range.

Immobile then set up Marco Reus to make in 2-0 in the 44th, before the home side threatened a comeback in the second half. Florian Krings went narrowly close with a deflected shot and Dortmund 'keeper Mitch Langerak did well to save from Dennis Daube.

But Kagawa settled Dortmund's nerves by sealing the result with four min-



**Dortmund's Mats Hummels fails to score during the German soccer cup second round match between FC St. Pauli and Borussia Dortmund at the Millerntor Stadium in Hamburg, Germany, Tuesday, Oct. 28, 2014.**

(AP Photo/Michael Sohn)

utes remaining after a poor clearance from St. Pauli goalkeeper Philipp Tschauer.

Elsewhere, Werder Bremen defeated third-division Chemnitzer FC 2-0 to get Viktor Skripnik off to a win-

ning start as coach.

Fin Bartels finished off a clever pass from Izet Hajrovic to open the scoring in the 31st minute, and Argentine forward Franco

di Santo beat the Chemnitz 'keeper at his near post in the 49th.

Former under-23 coach Skripnik took over the Bundesliga's bottom club on Saturday, when predecessor Robin Dutt was sacked after claiming just four points from nine league games.

Hertha Berlin crashed out 4-2 on penalties to third-tier side Arminia Bielefeld. Bielefeld goalkeeper Alexander Scholow was the hero with two saves after the game finished scoreless.

Hannover lost 2-0 at second-division Aalen. An own goal from Ceyhun Gulselam gave the home side a 24th-minute lead and Michael Klauss made it 2-0 in the 59th.

Fourth-tier side Kickers Offenbach caused another upset by defeating second-division Karlsruher SC 1-0 thanks to Benjamin Pintel's 63rd-minute strike. □

## Djokovic

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Djokovic hit 23 winners to 14 for Kohlschreiber. He traveled to Paris without his wife, Jelena, and their baby boy, Stefan, who was born last week.

At the end of his match, the Wimbledon champion wrote some words in Serbian on the lens of the TV camera.

"I sent a message to my boy, that I love him and that I play for him," a smiling Djokovic said.

Djokovic was congratulated by his parents after the match.

"I'm really glad that they are here," Djokovic said. "I'm glad because usually they don't come very often. First couple of years of my career, they were there pretty much at all the Grand Slams. But now they have too many things to do."

Meanwhile, Tommy Robredo of Spain, Belgium's Da-

vid Goffin and Pablo Cuevas of Uruguay won their first-round matches along with Frenchmen Gael Monfils, Jeremy Chardy and Lucas Pouille.

Robredo outlasted Vasek Pospisil of Canada 6-3, 4-6, 7-6 (5). Pospisil won nine more points than Robredo, but the Spaniard made 20 fewer unforced errors.

Goffin, the runner-up at the Swiss Indoors last week, beat Lukas Rosol of the Czech Republic 6-4, 6-3.

Cuevas was leading 7-6 (3), 1-0 when Leonardo Mayer of Argentina retired because of a back injury. The Uruguayan player is enjoying the best season of his career after winning two titles this summer.

Monfils, a two-time runner-up at the Paris Masters, cruised past Joao Sousa of Portugal 6-1, 6-4, Chardy edged Kenny De Schep- per 7-6 (5), 7-6 (4) in an all-French match, and qualifier Pouille, ranked 176th in the world, stunned Ivo Karlovic of Croatia 6-1, 6-4. □

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## McCoy memorable; Skins top Cowboys 20-17 in OT

**SCHUYLER DIXON**  
AP Sports Writer

**ARLINGTON, Texas (AP)** —

If this is Colt McCoy's only start for Washington, it sure was memorable.

The small-town West Texas kid calmly led another winning drive at the home of the Dallas Cowboys, this time for the Washington Redskins five years after the former Texas Longhorn star beat Nebraska on a march to a last-play field goal in the Big 12 championship game.

McCoy directed Washington to Kai Forbath's 40-yard field goal in overtime and Dallas was unable to answer after Tony Romo came back from an injury to his surgically repaired

back, sending the Redskins to a 20-17 victory on Monday night that ended the Cowboys' six-game winning streak.

Two weeks ago, the last thing McCoy's family and friends expected was him making his first NFL start in nearly three years in his home state. But then McCoy replaced an ineffective Kirk Cousins at halftime and led a comeback win over Tennessee in Week 7, and Robert Griffin III still wasn't ready to return from a dislocated left ankle.

"I had to tell a lot of people, 'No,'" McCoy said of the influx of ticket requests. "I didn't make any money this game with all the tickets I bought."



Washington Redskins running back Roy Helu (29) escapes a tackle attempt by Dallas Cowboys' Barry Church (42) during the second half of an NFL football game, Monday, Oct. 27, 2014, in Arlington, Texas. The Redskins beat the Cowboys 20-17 in OT.

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It was quite likely a limited engagement. If the Redskins (3-5) decide Griffin has recovered enough from an injury that has sidelined him since Week 2, the 2012 Offensive Rookie of the Year and former Heisman Trophy winner from Baylor will start against Minnesota on Sunday. The Redskins have their bye the following week.

"Robert's our starter," coach Jay Gruden said. "I haven't wavered off of that in my mind. When he's ready, he'll be ready to go."

It was McCoy's first appearance at the home of the Cowboys since his Texas-record 45th victory for the Big 12 title against Nebraska — 13-12 on a last-play field goal. And he won after beginning the night with a career NFL record of 6-15.

"Last-second wins, right?" McCoy said, laughing. "But I grew up as the game went on. I felt more and more comfortable and I

started seeing the defense right. We made some plays down the stretch that good teams have to make to win games."

The Cowboys (6-2) had one last chance after Forbath's kick, but didn't get a first down. Romo's final pass on fourth down was knocked away by rookie cornerback Bashaud Bree-land.

"Well, it's terribly disappointing," owner Jerry Jones said. "Jay Gruden and his staff, their organization, they came in here and took it to us and they won the game. We couldn't get it done."

Things to consider after the Redskins snapped an eight-game losing streak against NFC East teams with their first win since beating Dallas in the 2012 finale with a playoff berth on the line. They also ended a seven-game losing streak in prime time and won in back-to-back weeks for the first time since that win over Dallas almost two years ago.

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## Giants' Beason to have season ending surgery

BILL PENNINGTON

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**EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J.** - Middle linebacker Jon Beason, a cornerstone of the New York Giants' defense, will have surgery on his right foot and miss the remainder of the 2014 season.

Beason, who has not played a full season since 2010 because of injuries, was sidelined for three games this year and missed parts of three other games because of his injury. A year ago, he appeared to have revived his career with the Giants when he had 98 tackles in 12 games.

Acquired in a midseason trade with the Carolina Panthers, Beason, who will turn 30 in January, solidified the Giants' run defense in 2013 and became a respected, vocal leader on the field and in the locker room. After the season, the Giants signed Beason to a three-year, \$16.8 million contract. But in a workout June 12, he tore a ligament in his right foot and suffered a fracture of the sesamoid bone. He missed all of training camp but did not have foot surgery. Beason was activated in time for the Giants' season-opening game in Detroit but has had trouble staying on the field since.

He did not play in any of the Giants' three victories this season but tried to play in each of the Giants' losses, and frequently aggravated the injury. When Beason started against Dallas on Oct. 19, the Giants thought he was almost completely recovered. But he left that game, too, and during the team's bye week last week, team doctors determined that the best course for Beason was to have the season-ending surgery. □

## Rubio confident as contract deadline nears

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AP Basketball Writer

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) —

It can be easy to forget the electricity that crackled through Target Center every time Ricky Rubio walked to the scorer's table to check in during his rookie season with Minnesota.

That was way back in 2011, a lifetime in the NBA. The flashy Spaniard was a game-changer that first season, breathing new life into a downtrodden franchise and had the lowly Timberwolves nearing a playoff berth when he went down with a major knee injury in early March. Three years after his debut, essentially two years after his left knee was surgically repaired and three days before the deadline to extend his rookie contract, Rubio feels like he's as close as he's ever been to recapturing that old magic.

"If you look at the stats, I'm not a big guy to put up a lot of numbers," Rubio told The Associated Press on Tuesday before boarding a plane to Memphis for Wednesday's season opener. "I think what I do is change the game. I can do it from defense. I can do it with a couple steals. I can do it by getting the ball to a player who is hot. ... Winning games — that's what I want to do."

That's what he did as a rookie. His long-scrutinized shooting has never been worse than it was that first season (35.7 percent), but he found numerous other ways to impact the game. With his hair flopping and the ball zipping to open teammates, a team that had won just 32 games combined over the previous two seasons and had

not made the playoffs for seven straight years was 21-19 and nearing the eighth seed when Minnesota hosted the Lakers on March 9.

"I was coming from a winning team and coming here, knowing they only

the drain. Kevin Love was injured as well and the team would only win five more games.

Rubio returned to play in 57 games in the next season and all 82 last year, but he wasn't the same player. He shot 36 percent in 2012-

mer I could finally workout on my body, could make a couple steps forward. I felt pretty good in the (FIBA) World Cup. My quickness was 100 percent back."

In six preseason games this year, Rubio averaged 11.3 points in 22.5 minutes and shot 43.5 percent from the field, but only 20 percent on 3s. He also averaged 4.8 free throw attempts while showing more aggressiveness.

Coach Flip Saunders said Rubio's new-found mentality is a product of a different system that puts the ball in his hands more and gives him more responsibility for where the shots come from. That, coupled with Love's departure for Cleveland, has given Rubio more freedom to call his own number than in the past. "He's shown good leadership," Saunders said. "I like the fact that he's a willing learner. I like the fact that he works hard. Like all young players, they all have things they have to work on. But he works at his deficiencies. He's extremely competitive and he wants to win."

If the Timberwolves are going to avoid taking a huge step back after trading Love, Rubio is going to have to lead the way. Youngsters Andrew Wiggins, Zach LaVine and Anthony Bennett aren't ready for that responsibility and have yet to show they can make a difference in a regular-season game.

Rubio did that once before, and he can feel it coming again.

"A lot of people put us in the 15th seed in the Western Conference," Rubio said. "If they believe that, I'm not agreeing with that and we're going to show everybody." □



Minnesota Timberwolves' Ricky Rubio, right, shoots as Chicago Bulls' Aaron Brooks defends during the second half of a preseason NBA basketball game in St. Louis.

(AP Photo/Jeff Roberson)

won like 17 or 15 games the season before, it was kind of shocking. But I was trying to bring everything I learned during my years overseas in Europe and try to change the mentality," he said.

That night, Rubio tore two knee ligaments in the closing moments of the close loss, and the Wolves' season quickly swirled down

13 and 38 percent last season. Critics point to those numbers as reason for the Wolves to be cautious in signing him to a big-money extension.

"The whole season last year was trying to get back that feeling," Rubio said. "I was feeling 100 percent healthy, but you never know when you're healthy 100 percent. I think this sum-





**Dr. Carlos Viana**

Como un Docter Antropologo mi ta fasina ora mi ta wak un cambio den cultura of e adopcion di un fiesta. Aki na Aruba mescos cu na mayoria di Latinoamerica, Dia di Tur Santo ta ora cu nos ta bishita e graf di famianan defunto. Nos ta haci e graf limpi, decora nan cu flor, resa y recorda nos sernan stima cu a bai laga nos. E celebracion Mexicano y Filipino di e memoria di esnan ancestronan defunto ta yama 'El Día de los Muertos', of 'E Dia di Mortonan' cu ta tuma luga tambe riba November 1 y November 2, y ta coinsidi cu celebracionnan Romano Catolico similar na esun di Dia di tur Santo of Dia di tur Alma. "Un rosa cu cualkier otro nomber ta keto bai un rosa". Tur e celebracionnan aki ta reflexionnan di ritualnan celebrando e bida di nos ancestronan. Nos ancestronan Mesoamericano a realisa e ritualnan aki pa por lo menos 3 mil aña; ora cu tabata algo normal pa warda carpachinan y saca nan afo durante ritual pa simbolisa morto y renacimiento. Nos ta aprecia cu algun di nos no mester di tanto hustificacion pa fiesta, pero e adopcion repentino di Halloween riba bispo di Dia di Tur Santo tin hopi criticonan

social denunciando e adopcion aki como influencia di Americanisacion. Probablemente, pero culturanan no ta adopta algo a menos cu un necesidad ta wordo satisface cu esei.

Halloween celebra riba October 31, e bispo di Dia di Tur Santo ta basa riba un concepto medieval Europeo di morto, y ta wordo caracteriza dor di demoñonan, normalmente bruhanan muhe y otro imagennan di terror. Nos custumber Indo-Hispano di Dia di Tur Santo y Dia di Tur Defunto, den contraste, ta hopi diferente. Nos celebracion ta demonstra sinti fuerte di amor y respet pa nos ancestronan; ta celebra e continuacion di bida, relacionnan familiar, solidaridad comunitario; conceptonan positivo! E ora ei pakico nos cultura a core tuma e festival Britanico y Irlandes Celtivo antiguo di bispo di Samhain un ocasion pa un di e festivalnan antiguo di candela caminda candelanan grandi tabata wordo sendi pa core cu spiritonan baldadi.

Profesionalmente, den nos clinica 'glass- roots' mi a presencia un sin fin di kehonan medico cu base den problemanan emocional. Tin dos emocion dominante den tur hende su bida. Carl Jung, fundado di psicologia analitico a bisa cu bo tin dos tarea den bo bida cu ta crusa den otro; den e prome mita di bo bida bo mester bira comodo cu bo sexualidad y den e di dos mita di bo bida bo mester acepta bo mortalidad. Tur actividad humano ta splica como trabou cu ta wordo haci den un di e categorianan aki. Mi

ta splica e adopcion rapido di Halloween dor di Latino-americanonan como un chens pa sconde simbolicamente nos emocionnan dominante: sex y morto.

Fuera di e adopcion rapido, tambe nos ta tumando nota cu mas y mas Halloween ta un fiesta pa hende grandi, tin biaha celebra cu muchanan, pero mas tanto sin nan. Hende grandi awor ta representa 65% di bentanan di disfrasnan di Halloween, un cambio notabel compara cu e añanan anterior. Tambe, nos ta observa cu disfrasnan cu ta bende mas lihe ta esnan cu ta disfrasnan sexy di Halloween pa hende grandi y pa hunga.

Mayoría hende grandi gusta Halloween pasobra e ta un excuus tremendo pa laga bo imaginacion bira loco. Hopi paden nos tur kier wordo desea, pa ser mira como sexy y atractivo; esaki ta con nos ta muestra nos sexualidad. Tur e bistimento ei, hunga rol tras di un mascara di disfras ta un libertad pa hopi. E misterio di e mascara ta laga hende haci cosnan cu normalmente nan no lo haci sin tin mester di precupa riba e consecucionnan manera redashi, rechazo of un reputacion dañá. Si ningun hende sa ken e persona tras di e mascara ta, pakico nan lo mester precupa kico hende ta pensa di su accionnan? Lamentablemente, un fiesta pa aña nos ta duna tur e oportunidad pa siña y pa laga nos alma crece. E caminda pa salud di berdad ta un caminda di compronde ken nos ta. Den balans of salud e contrarionan ta biba hunto den harmonia. Nos existencia riba tera ta wor-

do experiencia como yin y yang, ariba y abou, claridad y scuridad, amor y poder, bon y malo, masculino y femenino, y asina ta sigui.

Den nos alma ta existi tur loke nos como sernan humano a experiencia un biaha tras di otro atrobe desde e comienso di existencia humano riba Tera, y e sabiduria aki ta bira visibel atraves di varios expresion incluyendo soñonan, arte, mito y den hopi caso malesa fisico. Ora hende ta malo, tin pa nan un oportunidad pa haya sa kico ta loke ta pasando hopi paden, den nan alma, pasobra frecuentemente, un malesa fisico ta un expresion di un herida den alma.

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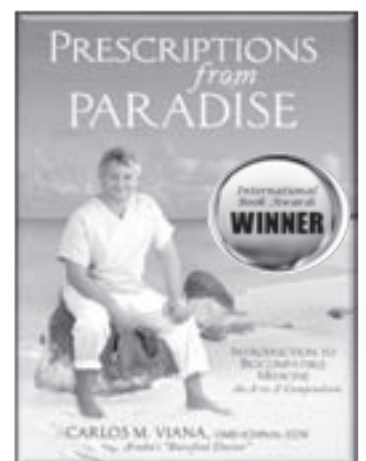
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# Directing planes, by remote control, in a Swedish test project

NICOLA CLARK

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ORNSKOLDSVIK, Sweden -

On a clear day, Per Granquist cannot see forever. But from his perch inside the airport control tower here, he does have an unobstructed view of the future. The big picture is provided from a 33-foot mast where a gray turret holds an array of digital video cameras, communications antennas, sensors and microphones - a setup that resembles a cross between a space-age dove-cote and a prison guard tower. The system is meant to integrate information of the sort that Granquist, 40, has been providing with his own eyes and ears as an air traffic controller for the last 17 years at this small airport in northern Sweden. The information from this array, though, is being sent elsewhere - to a windowless room of another airport, 100 miles south, in the slightly larger town of Sundsvall.

The system is still in test mode, but the rest of the commercial aviation industry is watching closely. Early next year, Granquist and a handful of his colleagues expect to move to Sundsvall. And from there, they will begin "virtually" guiding the half-dozen or so daily flights in and out of Ornskoldsvik.

Ornskoldsvik is about to become the world's first remotely controlled airport.

"At first it seemed a bit weird," Granquist said of his training on the new system.

In Sundsvall, instead of surveying the airport through plate-glass windows, he will sit before a semicircular wall of 55-inch liquid-crystal displays.

"But after two weeks," Granquist added, "it really feels no different from sitting here."

Carved from an Arctic pine forest along Sweden's fjord-studded eastern coast, Ornskoldsvik might seem an unlikely setting for a potential aviation revolution. But over the last several years, officials from dozens of countries have made their way down the

airport's rutted gravel road to get a firsthand look.

It is a concept that experts say has uses not only for out-of-the way places but could also enhance efficiency and safety at sprawling urban airports.

"I have little doubt that this is the next big thing for our industry," said Paul Jones, operations manager at NATS, which provides

air navigation services at Heathrow and other British airports.

It is no accident that the idea for a remote-controlled airport emerged from Sweden, whose northern regions are thinly populated and poorly served by rail or other transportation alternatives. Much like Alaska and vast swaths of northern Canada, Scandi-

navia is dotted with dozens of small airports.

While many of the world's remote communities are so tiny as to rely on small private planes whose pilots coordinate their own take-offs and landings by radio, towns like Ornskoldsvik - population 55,000 - are just big enough to justify minimal scheduled airline services and a control tower.

"It doesn't really make economic or even social sense to station a fully qualified air traffic controller in some of these places," said Erik Backman, director of operations at LFV, Sweden's state-owned air navigation service provider.

Full-time controllers in Sweden average about \$77,000 a year in pay, he said, a cost that rises to more than \$140,000 once social security and other employee charges are included.

That is why LFV began exploring the idea of pooling controllers at a single location, to guide flights remotely. In 2006, the agency invited the Swedish aeronautics and technology group Saab to develop a prototype. To guard against a remote-control airport's being hijacked by hackers, the data transmitted between the camera tower and the remote control center is scrambled using dedicated hardware and encryption software, said Anders Carp, a Saab vice president in charge of traffic management systems. As an added layer of security, he said, Saab also uses an algorithm to verify that images have not been tampered with en route.



Mikael Henriksson, left, and Erik Backman, director of operations at LFV, Sweden's state-owned air navigation service provider, demonstrate remote cameras that offer a 360-degree panorama of the Ornskoldsvik runway in Sundsvall, Sweden. Officials from dozens of countries have made their way to remote Sweden to look at technology that many expect will eventually transform the way air traffic is managed worldwide.

(Casper Hedberg/The New York Times)

## Now in aisle 3 at Lowe's: bots on wheels

MAE ANDERSON

AP Technology Writer

**NEW YORK (AP)** — The robots are coming. Lowe's is testing whether new bots on wheels can improve its customer service, like helping a shopper find a match for something as simple as a nail.

Four robots are being tested at an Orchard Supply Hardware store owned by Lowe's Companies Inc. in San Jose, California.

The robots, dubbed OSHbots, look like white columns with two large black screens on either side of them, and wheels to help them move. They are equipped with 3D cameras so they can scan and identify items. And customers can research items they want to buy on their screen. Then the robot

can lead them to the aisle where an item is located.

"They're based on making a science fiction story a reality," said Kyle Nel, execu-

tive director of Lowe's Innovation Lab.

The robots also have a database of what inventory is in stock at the store, so they

can let customers know if something is out of stock or not.

"People can come in with a random screw and say Mr. Robot, I need more of these, and if we do have it in the store, they can find it," Nel said. The robots can speak in English and Spanish.

Lowe's started working with Fellow Robots, a technology company in Silicon Valley, in November to develop the robots. The cost of the project is undisclosed. Lowe's has been working on infusing more technology into its customer service. It has also developed a "holoroom" that can let users see what different pieces of furniture look like in different rooms in a virtual-reality environment.



In this undated image provided by Lowe's, a woman holds a nail up to be scanned by an OSHbot robot. The robots are equipped with 3D cameras so they can scan and identify items. And customers can research items they want to buy on their screen. Then the robot can lead them to the aisle where an item is located.

(AP Photo/Lowe's)



## Stocks rise as confidence index climbs

**BERNARD CONDON**  
AP Business Writer

**NEW YORK (AP)** — Strong corporate earnings pushed up stocks across industries on Tuesday, with the energy sector and small companies leading the gains. Stocks rose from the open, then built on the momentum as investors sifted through mostly encouraging quarterly results. Whirlpool, AutoNation and engine-maker Cummins all rose 7 percent after reporting their results.

The surge in stocks in recent days is a turnaround from Oct. 15, when the Standard and Poor's 500 closed just short of a "correction," defined as a drop of 10 percent or more from a recent high. With the gains on Tuesday, the index has nearly erased all those losses.

"Here we are just two weeks later, and we've just about gained it back," said Scott Wren, a stock strategist at Wells Fargo Advisors. "We think it's still going up." Investors were cheered also by news that a key gauge of U.S. consumer confidence rebounded strongly in October. The

mas is going to be very strong," said Phil Orlando, chief equity strategist at Federated Investments. "Stocks are cheap right now." The S&P 500 rose 23.42 points, or 1.2 percent, to 1,985.05. That puts it another strong day from its record high. It's now just 26.31 points short of its Sept. 18 record close of 2,011.36. All ten industry groups in the index rose, led by a 2.3 percent gain in energy stocks.

The Dow Jones industrial average rose 187.81 points, or 1.1 percent, to 17,005.75. The Nasdaq composite climbed 78.36 points, or 1.8 percent, to 4,564.29.

The biggest gain was in the Russell 2000, a small stock index. It jumped 2.9 percent.

In other economic news, orders to U.S. companies for long-lasting manufactured goods fell for a second month in September, a government report showed. Orders have jumped around in recent months due to moves in the volatile category of aircraft orders.

Homebuilders rose following news that U.S. home

rose 84 cents, or 2.2 percent, to \$38.60.

Investors are now looking ahead to Wednesday's announcement from the Federal Reserve's policymaking committee for insight into when the central bank might start raising interest rates. The Fed is winding down its \$4 trillion bond-buying program, which is known as quantitative easing. There is heightening concern about whether the U.S. economy is strong enough to sustain growth without that support.

Among other stocks making big moves Tuesday:

— Amgen rose 6 percent after it announced plans to cut more jobs, buy back \$2 billion worth of stock and raise its dividend by 30 percent. That followed news Monday that third-quarter adjusted earnings and revenue for the world's biggest biotech drugmaker topped Wall Street's expectations. The stock rose \$8.99 to \$157.19.

— Madison Square Garden Co. surged 11 percent after the company said it's considering a plan to split off its entertainment businesses from its media and

## Usage stalls for Twitter; shares drop on outlook

**VINDU GOEL**

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**SAN FRANCISCO** - Dick Costolo, Twitter's chief executive, has been sprucing up the social network this year. So far, however, the renovations don't seem to be flashy enough to bring in many newcomers or persuade the veterans to return more frequently.

Wall Street has been disappointed by the slow pace of improvements, with investors sending Twitter's stock down 11 percent earlier in the week after the company reported meager growth in sign-ups and usage during the third quarter.

"The lack of growth there comes from Twitter's relative lack of innovation," said Nate Elliott, an analyst at Forrester who studies social media. "The experience on Twitter today is the same experience people have always had on Twitter."

Costolo, too, said he wanted the company to innovate more quickly.

"We have to continue to grow our monthly active users and make it increasingly a daily use case for them," he said during a webcast with investors to discuss the financial results. "It's more critical than ever to increase our overall pace of execution."

In an interview, Costolo also emphasized the long view. He said the microblogging service, which consists of a stream of 140-character messages, is trying to provide something useful to three very different audiences: the daily Twitter user, the casual visitor who comes to the site through a Web search or the home page, and the person who simply views a tweet embedded in a news article or app. "You want to create scalable experiences that work for all kinds of different users," he said. In its financial report, Twitter said that 284 million people logged into its service at least once a month during the third quarter, up 4.8 percent from 271 million in the second quarter. But it attracted fewer new users during the three months than it did in the first or second quarters. Usage of the service by existing customers has also stalled. On average, regular users pulled up their Twitter feeds slightly less frequently than during the previous quarter. And the company disclosed that in its top 20 markets, fewer than half of Twitter's monthly visitors check out the service daily.

That's roughly unchanged from a year ago, when Twitter filed its paperwork to sell stock to the public, and well below the 63 percent daily usage reported by Facebook, the largest social network.

In essence, Twitter's efforts to attract and retain users, from simplifying the sign-up process for newbies to better organizing tweets about big events like the World Cup and the National Football League's season, have not yet yielded significant benefits.

"Investors want to know, what's your long-term vision?" said Robert Peck, an analyst with SunTrust Robinson Humphrey, who was one of the earliest bulls on Twitter's prospects. Although he is still a fan of the company, he said there were many questions, and so far, few answers. Peck is hopeful that Twitter executives will share more about the company's plans in mid-November, when it holds a one-day meeting with Wall Street analysts.

Twitter's revenue, most of which comes from advertising, increased sharply in the third quarter. Revenue more than doubled to \$361.3 million, compared with \$168.6 million a year ago, exceeding Wall Street's projection of \$352 million.

The company said it collected \$1.77 in ad revenue per 1,000 users, its highest level ever and up 83 percent from last year's third quarter. □



**Specialist Alison Gamba directs trading at her post on the floor of the New York Stock Exchange. Strong corporate earnings pushed up stocks across industries on Tuesday, with the energy sector and small companies leading the gains. (AP Photo/Richard Drew)**

Conference Board reported that its confidence index hit a seven-year high as solid job gains raised expectations for economic growth, an encouraging sign for retailers as they head into the holiday shopping season.

"We're predicting Christ-

prices grew in August, albeit at a more modest pace. The Standard & Poor's/Case-Shiller 20-city home price index rose 5.6 percent in August from 12 months earlier. Home prices were rising at a double-digit pace as recently as last fall. Meritage Homes

sports divisions. The stock rose \$7.21 to \$72.99.

— Twitter reported third-quarter revenue late Monday that outpaced expectations, but investors are worried about revenue for the last three months of the year and growth in the number of users. □



# Honda profit rises on weak yen, lowers forecast

**YURI KAGEYAMA**

AP Business Writer

TOKYO (AP) — Honda's net profit for the July-September quarter surged nearly 18 percent but the Japanese automaker lowered its earnings forecast for the full year Tuesday, pointing to difficulties in China and its home Japan market. Honda Motor Co. reported a 141.8 billion yen (\$1.3 billion) profit for the fiscal second quarter, up from 120 billion yen a year earlier. Sales edged up 4 percent

to 3.015 trillion yen (\$27.9 billion), helped by a weak yen, which added 123 billion yen (\$1.1 billion) to net sales and other operating revenue.

Like several other automakers, Honda's usually pristine image for quality is being clouded by a massive recall spanning 12 million vehicles worldwide related to faulty inflators in air bags made by Japanese supplier Takata Corp. Honda was among Takata's biggest customers.

Tokyo-based Honda lowered its profit forecast for the year ending March 2015 to 565 billion yen (\$5.2 billion) from 600 billion yen, citing sales woes in Japan and China.

The maker of the Fit subcompact, Odyssey minivan and Asimo robot had earned 574 billion yen the previous fiscal year.

The dollar had cost about 100 yen the previous fiscal year, but Honda expects it to average about 104 yen this fiscal year. It stood at

about 108 yen Tuesday.

A sales tax hike in Japan in April has crimped auto purchases here, although sales were inflated right before the rise. Honda sold fewer vehicles in North America for the quarter, but its sales in Europe and Asia, outside Japan, improved year-on-year, where new models were popular.

Overall, Honda sold 1.07 million vehicles for the fiscal second quarter, up from 1.05 million the same period a year earlier.

Honda's motorcycle unit also did well for the quarter, boosting sales in India, Indonesia and Vietnam, while selling fewer units in Japan and North America compared with the previous year.

Honda expects to sell fewer vehicles for the fiscal year, at 4.6 million vehicles, down from the previous forecast for 4.8 million vehicles. But the new projection is still above the 4.3 million vehicles sold the last fiscal year. □

# Aetna tops Street in 3Q, raises 2014 forecast

**TOM MURPHY**

AP Business Writer

Aetna became the latest major health insurer to thump analyst expectations for the third quarter and then raise its forecast for 2014.

Shares of the Hartford, Connecticut, company rose in premarket trading after the nation's third-largest health insurer said its bottom line rose 15 percent in the quarter that ended Sept. 30, helped in part by enrollment gains and a growing government business.

Aetna Inc. said it now expects 2014 earnings, excluding one-time items, to range between \$6.60 and \$6.70 per share. That's up from a forecast it made in July for \$6.45 to \$6.60 per share.

It also topped average analyst expectations of \$6.59 per share, according to



A pedestrian walks past a sign for Aetna Inc., at the company headquarters in Hartford, Conn. Aetna reported quarterly financial results on Tuesday, Oct. 28, 2014.

(AP Photo/Jessica Hill)

FactSet.

Overall, Aetna earned \$594.5 million, or \$1.67 per share, in the third quarter.

That compares to net income of \$518.6 million, or \$1.38 per share, the previous year.

Adjusted earnings totaled \$1.79 per share.

Analysts expected, on average, \$1.58 per share,

according to Zacks Investment Research.

Operating revenue, which excludes investment gains and losses, grew 13 percent to \$14.7 billion, which also surpassed average expectations for \$14.62 billion. Aetna trails only UnitedHealth Group Inc. and WellPoint Inc. on the list of the nation's largest health insurers. Health insurance is Aetna's main product, and that includes a growing business selling Medicare Advantage coverage and administering the state-federally funded Medicaid program.

Earlier this month, UnitedHealth reported results that topped expectations. The insurer also raised its forecast for 2014, and its executives told analysts they expect the company's overall performance to grow stronger next year and beyond. □

# Britain's Lloyds Banking Group to cut 9,000 jobs

**GREGORY KATZ**

Associated Press

LONDON (AP) — Britain's Lloyds Banking Group said Tuesday it will eliminate 9,000 jobs over the next three years and shut some 200 branches in a bid to improve efficiency.

The group has been partly owned by the British taxpayer since it was rescued during the financial crisis and has been under pressure to cut costs.

Its executives had pledged three years ago to keep its number of branches at a consistent level despite the cuts, but Chief Executive Antonio Horta-Orsorio said Tuesday that strategy has now changed.

The closures will impact roughly a tenth of its network of 2,000 branches. The bank said many of the closures would be in town centers where the bank has more than one facility.

Lloyds expects customers to continue shifting to online services and self-service machines instead of having face-to-face contact in branches. It plans to invest 1 billion pounds (\$1.61 billion) in digital technology in the next three years.

In a statement, it said the branch cuts would allow it "to operate more efficiently." Unite union officer Rob MacGregor said executive pay at Lloyds should be cut

if customer service suffers and people are forced out their jobs.

"These are deeply unsettling times for Lloyds staff, who after days of speculation and leaks face yet another round of job cuts and a future of uncertainty," he said.

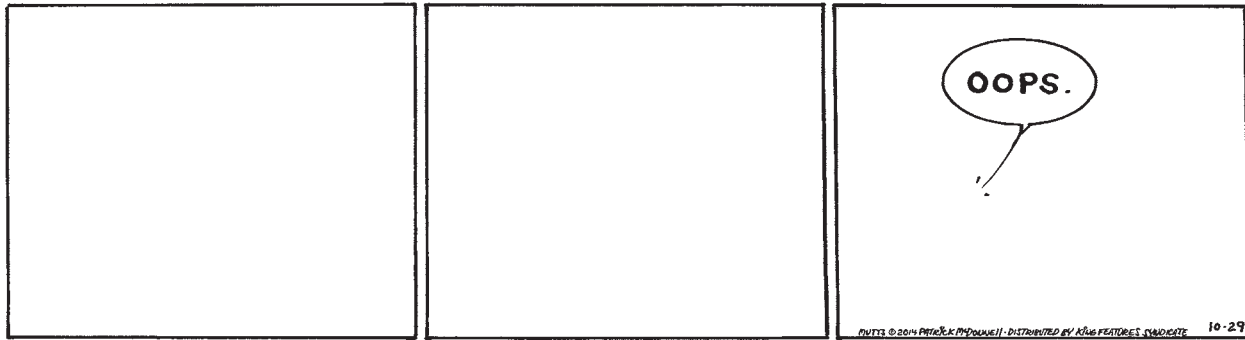
Lloyds finance director George Culmer said the job cuts are "regrettable" and reflect changing customer needs.

The announcements came as the bank reported an improvement in earnings as the broader U.K. economy recovered.

Net interest income, a measure of revenue, increased to 3.03 billion pounds in the third quarter from 2.76 billion pounds a year earlier. It made a net profit of 693 million pounds, up from a loss of 1.3 billion pounds last year, when it was hit by big one-time charges. □



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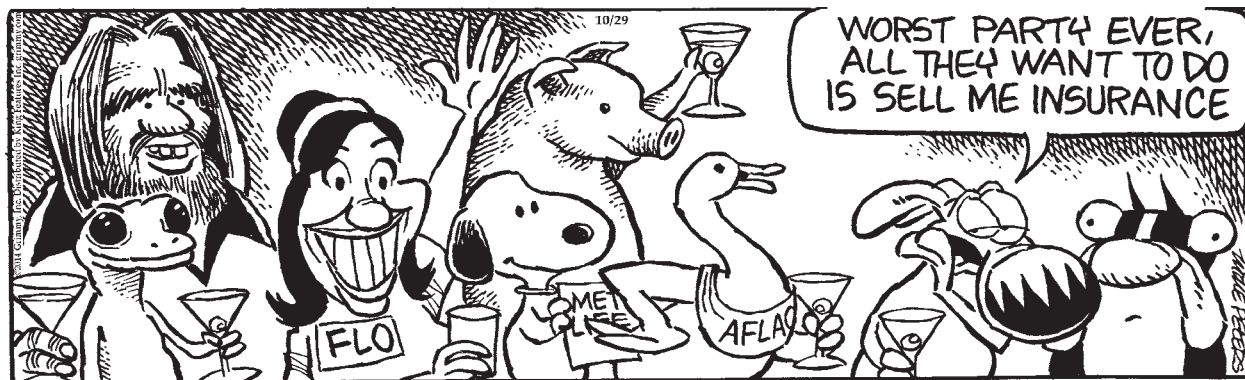
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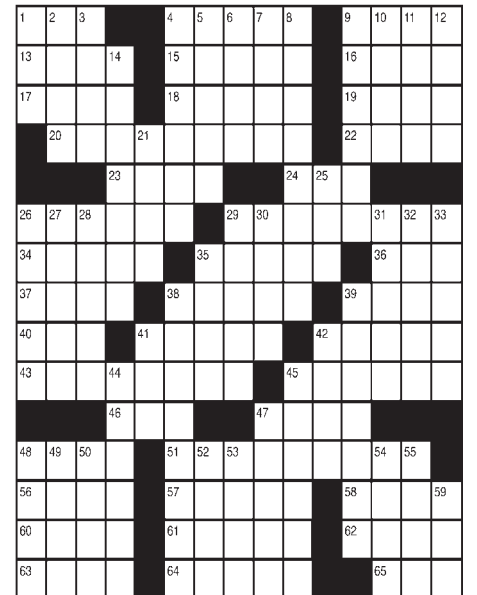
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- 20 Eased up
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- 23 Frog's cousin
- 24 In poor health
- 26 Straighten, as hair
- 29 Show; make known
- 34 Ambulance's blaring device
- 35 Jumbled
- 36 Cow's remark
- 37 Alimony recipients
- 38 Jabs
- 39 Boxcar rider
- 40 Fishing pole
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Tuesday's Puzzle Solved

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7	Leg joint	40	Mineral spring	49	Toledo's state
8	Packed in like ____; crowded	41	Woodwind player	50	Mall event
9	Swallow up	42	Baby's toy	51	Smell
10	Wedding cake section	43	2-footed animal	52	Etna's output
11	Extended family group			53	"Hit the ____ Jack..."
12	His and ____			54	Consequently
14	Venus de Milo & The Thinker			55	PC alternative
21	Fritos ____ chips				
25	Pot cover				
26	____ manual; computer guide				
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32	Not smashed				
33	Saw & wrench				
35	Boggy area				
38	Game bird				

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## Court to UK man: Nudity is not a human right



Stephen Gough, nicknamed the Naked Rambler, walks near Selkirk, Scotland. Gough, who spurns clothes lost a legal bid on Tuesday, Oct. 28, 2014 to have public nudity declared a human right. The European Court of Human Rights says Stephen Gough's rights were not violated by repeated arrests and convictions for being naked in public.

(AP Photo/PA, David Cheskin)

**LONDON (AP)** — A British man who spurns clothes has lost a legal bid to have public nudity declared a human right. The European Court of Human Rights ruled Tuesday that Stephen Gough's rights were not violated by repeated arrests and convictions for being naked in public.

The court said Gough's legal woes were the result of conduct that could be "alarming and morally and otherwise offensive" to others. Gough, a 55-year-old former Royal Marine nicknamed the "Naked Rambler," has twice walked the length of Britain, with frequent interruptions for arrests, court appearances and jail time.



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## BP spill left big oily 'bathtub ring' on seafloor

**SETH BORENSTEIN**  
AP Science Writer  
WASHINGTON (AP) —

The BP oil spill left an oily "bathtub ring" on the sea floor that's about the size of Rhode Island, the smallest U.S. state at 1,200 square miles (3,100 sq km), new research shows.

The study by David Valentine, the chief scientist on the federal damage assessment research ships, estimates that about 10 million (38 million liters) gallons of oil coagulated on the floor of the Gulf of Mexico around the damaged Deepwater Horizons oil rig. Valentine, a geochemistry professor at the University of California Santa Barbara, said the spill from the Macondo well left other splotches containing even more oil. He said it is obvious where the oil is from, even though there were no chemical signature tests because over time the oil has degraded.

"There's this sort of ring

where you see around the Macondo well where the concentrations are elevated," Valentine said. The study, published in Mon-

day's Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences, calls it a "bathtub ring." Oil levels inside the ring were as much as

10,000 times higher than outside the ring, Valentine said. A chemical component of the oil was found on the sea floor, anywhere

from two-thirds of a mile to a mile (1.6 km) below the surface. The rig blew on April 20, 2010, and spewed 172 million gallons (651 million liters) of oil into the Gulf through the summer. Scientists are still trying to figure where all the oil went and what effects it had.

BP questions the conclusions of the study. In an email, spokesman Jason Ryan said, "the authors failed to identify the source of the oil, leading them to grossly overstate the amount of residual Macondo oil on the sea floor and the geographic area in which it is found."

It's impossible at this point to do such chemical analysis, said Valentine and study co-author Christopher Reddy, a marine chemist at Woods Hole Oceanographic Institute, but all other evidence, including the depth of the oil, the way it laid out, the distance from the well, directly point to the BP rig.



In this 2010 aerial photo taken in the Gulf of Mexico more than 50 miles southeast of Venice on Louisiana's tip, the Deepwater Horizon oil rig is seen burning. New research shows that the BP oil spill left an oily "bathtub ring" on the seafloor that's about the size of Rhode Island.

(AP Photo/Gerald Herbert)

## Possible complete mammoth skeleton found in Idaho

**AMERICAN FALLS, Idaho (AP)** — A portion of a Columbian mammoth skull and tusks have been uncovered in Idaho, and experts say a rare entire skeleton might be buried there. Experts estimate the mammoth was about 16 years

old and lived about 70,000 to 120,000 years ago in what was a savanna-like country populated with large plant-eaters and predators.

The skeleton was spotted earlier this month by a fossil hunter working as a volun-

teer for the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation near American Falls Reservoir. It was partially excavated by students and instructors from Idaho State University.

But the team had to postpone their work Oct. 18 as the reservoir's water level rose, completing some of their tasks while standing in water. They plan to return next summer when the reservoir drops.

"It gives us a little more time to prepare if this is a complete mammoth, to get the funds together," said Mary Thompson, Idaho Museum of Natural History collections manager and a university instructor. "This is going to be substantial to go

out and excavate a complete mammoth."

She said more bones and tusks remained in the bank that couldn't immediately be removed.

"There may be a whole mammoth there, so that is rare," she said. Workers built a barrier to keep the fossil in place while underwater. The area, Thompson said, has produced fossils of various extinct species over the decades, ranging from saber-toothed cats, short-nosed bears that were larger than grizzlies, and giant sloths. One of the most often found fossils are from bison latifrons, somewhat similar to modern bison but larger and with giant horns.

Their image is part of the museum's logo.

"It's a very important North American Pleistocene site," Thompson said, naming a time period that runs from 1.8 million years ago to 10,000 years ago. "We have researchers from all over the world coming here to study the fossils from American Falls."

Besides fossils, there are also tracks of mammoths, large cats, canines and other animals where they crossed then muddy areas eons ago.

Thompson said she hopes to have the portions of the mammoth the team managed to get out put on display early next year.

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# Ewan McGregor, Maggie Gyllenhaal reunite for Broadway

**MARK KENNEDY**  
**AP Drama Writer**

**NEW YORK (AP)** — She absolutely adores Tom Stoppard. He has never been much of a fan. She fell in love with the playwright's words at 17. He once had a terrible audition for a Stoppard play and never went back for more.

Yet fate has somehow put Ewan McGregor and Maggie Gyllenhaal into the same New York revival of Stoppard's "The Real Thing" this month, both making their Broadway debuts playing lovers.

Gyllenhaal was an undergraduate at Columbia when she read the play and it blew her mind. She later saw Stoppard's "Arcadia" and "my life was changed." The chance to be in a new "The Real Thing" was "kismet."

What about McGregor? He had never read "The Real Thing" and he had never seen it: "I don't think

I'd even heard of it. I'm not a great Stoppardian scholar, do you know what I mean?" he says, laughing. McGregor's last encounter with the playwright's work didn't go well. He auditioned for a role in "Arcadia" back in London and "did one of the most toe-crunchingly embarrassing auditions of my life."

After the scene, McGregor felt the disappointment in the room. "You, the actor — knowing you've just crucified every word of it — are going, 'Don't ask me to do it again! And they're thinking, 'We'd better ask him to do it again.' It's one of those awful, awful moments."

Regardless of their different paths, the pair has joined a crackling revival of the play, a wise, witty meditation on the human heart. McGregor plays a romantically challenged playwright who may be too smart for his own good. Gyllenhaal is

his lover and later wife who forces him to re-examine what real love is.

Though both actors are famous for their movies — her most famous credits include "Crazy Heart" and

celebrated production of "Three Sisters" in 2011 off-Broadway and Tony Kushner's "Homebody/Kabul" in 2004, while McGregor, 43, was last seen on the London stage in 2008 in "Othel-

Returns," where they played husband and wife. The second was for an HBO pilot of an adaptation of the Jonathan Franzen book "The Corrections," which was eventually passed on. Each time, McGregor and Gyllenhaal shared only a few scenes together but they both say they enjoyed each other's company. They knew they could communicate as actors, something neither take for granted.

"Why do this play unless you can have an actual communication and connection with the other character for real?" asks Gyllenhaal. "It would be hell — it would be awful — to have to just pretend every night in this play. This is a play about human hearts."

The Scottish actor and the Brooklyn-based actress are both happily married — she to actor Peter Sarsgaard and he to production designer Eve Mavrakis. □



**Ewan McGregor, left, and Maggie Gyllenhaal, in a scene from Tom Stoppard's play, "The Real Thing," in New York. The actors are making their Broadway debut playing lovers in the play which opens Thursday, Oct. 30, 2014, at the American Airlines Theater in New York.**

(AP Photo/Joan Marcus)

"The Dark Knight," while his are "Trainspotting" and "Star Wars Episode 1" — they've frequently returned to the stage.

Gyllenhaal, 36, was in a

lo." "The Real Thing" marks the third time McGregor and Gyllenhaal have worked together. The first was in the 2010 film "Nanny McPhee

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# Country stars shape Will Chase's TV persona

**ALICIA RANCILIO**

Associated Press  
NEW YORK (AP) — Will Chase's character on ABC's "Nashville" is the quintessential superstar. Country singer Luke Wheeler has a team of publicists and his own barbecue sauce. His wardrobe staple is a large, black cowboy hat like Tim McGraw, who is the inspiration for his character, Chase says. "The template that was thrown around to me was always (McGraw), just as far as the enormity of his stardom and star power," the 44-year-old actor said in a recent interview. "I make it more Blake (Shelton). ... Then there's the dad (side of him). ... A lot of it was my Uncle Wayne. I grew up in Kentucky, so a lot of it was just already in me somewhere. I'd heard these things or I'd seen this guy. I knew this guy, which I think was why I probably got the role. I knew this guy was probably in me." "Nashville," which airs Wednesdays at 10 p.m. Eastern, follows the ins and outs of country music. It



This photo provided by ABC shows Will Chase in a scene from ABC's drama, "Nashville." Chase stars as country superstar Luke Wheeler on the show which airs Wednesdays at 10 p.m. EDT. (AP Photo/ABC, Mark Levine)

also stars Connie Britton and Hayden Panettiere. Luke Wheeler was introduced in season two as a new love interest for Britton's character, Rayna James. His arrival complicated Rayna's on-again, off-again relationship with Deacon Claybourne (played by Charles Esten). "I do like messing up the

story a little bit," said Chase as he coyly stroked the scruff of his beard. Then he joked, "I have my three fans that root for me." He doesn't know how that story line will pan out, but predicts heartbreak for his character down the line. In real life, he has fallen for the city of Nashville, Tennessee, where the show is

filmed.

"That town celebrates artistry, unlike kind of anywhere else. Here in New York you do, but it's so overwhelmingly big here. There it really is communal and a community," he said.

He also appreciates how unassuming people are in Nashville.

"I went bowling recently, spent a half-hour talking to a guy and he said, 'Oh yeah, I produced so-and-so's albums.' I was like, 'You what? Oh.' He could've led with that. He didn't. He was giving me jeans and a beard and the typical Nashville vibe, but it was not pretentious at all and I love that."

Chase has a Broadway background and was nominated for a Tony Award for "The Mystery of Edwin Drood" in 2013.

He also had a recurring role on NBC's "Smash." He enjoys recording music for "Nashville" because it's different than cast recordings and he can perform solo. His favorite experience, though, is shooting the concert scenes. □

## SHORT TAKE 'Benched': Legal eagle, humbled, hits reset button

**NEIL GENZLINGER**

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Eliza Coupe, an actress who has a decent résumé ("Happy Endings," "Scrubs") but maybe hasn't registered with you in that household-name way, gets a chance to anchor a series in "Benched," a USA comedy that begins this week. And she's pretty darn likable.

The series opens with what seems like a familiar catalytic scene. Coupe's character, Nina, a hotshot lawyer at a high-end firm, expects to be named partner but instead stands open-mouthed at a staff gathering while someone else gets the promotion. There's probably a Top 5 Didn't-Make-Partner Scenes list to be made, but Coupe, at least, does a nice job with her obligatory public meltdown,

which is followed by the equally obligatory firing. We then arrive at the real setting: She takes a considerably less glamorous job as a public defender.

It's a world of low-income defendants and rapid-fire justice that Nina is not remotely familiar with, and the fish-out-of-water dynamic takes hold - off-worked but well executed here. The early episodes rely too much on socioeconomic stereotypes, but let's assume that once the characters are established, the series will aspire to more.

Nina quickly acquires one of those sitcom-staple co-workers who serve as both combatant and confidant, a fellow public defender named Phil, played by the always reliable Jay Harrington. And Nina's slick, impossibly handsome ex-fiancé, Trent (Carter MacIntyre), turns up at her first case as the opposing lawyer:

He has recently become deputy district attorney, presumably on his way to a political career.

This may all seem assembled from a paint-by-numbers kit, but it clicks nicely. □

# Logo doing pop culture from 2 perspectives

**DAVID BAUDER**

AP Television Writer  
NEW YORK (AP) — The Logo TV network wants to explore how a gay and straight man look at pop culture differently. That's the basis for "The Straight Out Report," a new weekly program starting next month that aspires to be the cable network's own version of "The Daily Show" or "Talk Soup." It premieres Nov. 7 at 10 p.m. Eastern. Comic Stephen Guarino, who appeared on the ABC show "Happy Endings," will provide the gay perspective while his "straight" man is Mike E. Winfield. The show will primarily be a comedic look at pop culture, although some more serious news topics will seep in, said Pam Post, vice president of programming for the gay- and lesbian-oriented network. Some



Iggy Azalea arrives at the Barker Hangar in Santa Monica, Calif. Rapper Azalea, actor Bryan Cranston and the film "Gone Girl" are nominees for Logo TV's 2014 New Now Next Awards. (Paul A. Hebert/Invision/AP, File)

planned segments include "Unintentional Gay Moment," mining film clips, and "Feud for Thought," detailing Twitter fights. "We realized we hadn't seen this before — a gay man and a straight man sitting at a desk, talking over the headlines of the day in a comedic way,

and this really appealed to us," Post said.

A second contrast — Winfield is black and Guarino white — wasn't planned but is welcome, she said.

Already the two men have found how they both look at Men's Health magazine for different reasons.

Certainly the role of the Kardashians in popular culture will be explored on the show because, how could it not?

"I realized that I certainly have an opinion on how they are invading my life regardless of whether I am seeking them out," Guarino said. "It's interesting how many times the word 'Kardashian' comes before you in a day. I've been a victim of the pop culture whether I like it or not."

The series seemed like an intriguing idea to Winfield when he first heard it.

"You play a role," he said. "But we're people first. We just happen to be straight and gay, we just happen to be black and white. For myself, I just come in with comedy."

Logo is in some 52 million homes, or half of the country's homes with television. □



## Once Again, Guns



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There's a TV ad that's been running in Louisiana:

It's evening and a mom is tucking in her baby. Getting a nice text from dad, who's away on a trip. Then suddenly - dark shadow on a window.

Somebody's smashing the front door open! Next thing you know, there's police tape around the house, blinking lights on emergency vehicles.

"It happens like that," says a somber narrator. "The police can't get there in time. How you defend yourself is up to you. It's your choice. But Mary Landrieu voted to take away your gun rights. Vote like your safety depends on it. Defend your freedom. Defeat Mary Landrieu."

Guns are a big issue in some of the hottest elections around the country this year, but there hasn't been much national discussion about it. Perhaps we've been too busy worrying whether terrorists are infecting themselves with Ebola and sneaking across the Mexican border.

But now, as usual, we're returning to the issue because of a terrible school shooting.

The latest - a high school freshman boy with a gun in a high school cafeteria - occurred in the state of Washington, which also happens to be ground zero for the election-year gun debate. At least that's the way the movement against gun violence sees it. There's a voter initiative on the ballot that would require background checks for gun sales at gun shows or online. "We need to be laser focused on getting this policy passed," said Brian Malte of the Brady Campaign.

Think about this. It's really remarkable. Two years after the Sandy Hook tragedy, the top gun-control priority in the U.S. is still background checks. There is nothing controversial about the idea that people who buy guns should be screened to make sure they don't have a criminal record or serious mental illness. Americans favor it by huge majorities. Even gun owners support it. Yet we're still struggling with it.

The problem, of course, is the National Rifle Association, which does not actually represent gun owners nearly as ferociously as it represents gun sellers. The background check bill is on the ballot

under voter initiative because the Washington state Legislature was too frightened of the NRA to take it up. This in a state that managed to pass a right-to-die law, approve gay marriage and legalize the sale of marijuana.

The NRA has worked hard to cultivate its reputation for terrifying implacability. Let's return for a minute to Sen. Mary Landrieu, who's in a very tough re-election race. Last year, in the wake of Sandy Hook, she voted for a watered-down background check bill. It failed to get the requisite 60 votes in the Senate, but the NRA is not forgetting.

Nor is it a fan of compromise. Landrieu has tried to straddle the middle on gun issues; she voted last year for the NRA's own top priority, a bill to create an enormous loophole in concealed weapons laws. As a reward, she got a "D" rating and the murdered-mom ad. In Colorado, the embattled Sen. Mark Udall, who has a similar voting record, is getting the same treatment.

The NRA's vision of the world is purposefully dark and utterly irrational. It's been running a series of what it regards as positive ads, which are so grim they do suggest that it's time to grab a rifle and head for the bunker. In one, a mournful-looking woman asks whether there's still anything worth fighting for in "a world that demands we submit, succumb, and believe in nothing." It is, she continues, a world full of "cowards who pretend they don't notice the elderly man fall ..."

Now when was the last time you saw people ignore an elderly man who falls down? I live in what is supposed to be a hard-hearted city, but when an old person trips and hits the ground, there is a veritable stampede to get him upright.

The ad running against people like Landrieu makes no sense whatsoever. If that background-check bill had become law, the doomed mother would still have been able to buy a gun for protection unless she happened to be a convicted felon. And while we have many, many, many things to worry about these days, the prospect of an armed stranger breaking through the front door and murdering the family is not high on the list. Unless the intruder was actually a former abusive spouse or boyfriend, in which case a background check would have been extremely helpful in keeping him unarmed.

A shooting like the one in Washington state is so shocking that it seems almost improper to suggest that people respond by passing an extremely mild gun control measure.

But there is a kind of moral balance. While we may not be able to stop these tragedies from happening, we can stop thinking of ourselves as a country that lets them happen and then does nothing.

Unless your worldview is as bleak as the NRA's, you have to believe we're better than that. □



## Carl Icahn's Bad Apple Advice



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Why should Tim Cook care what Carl Icahn thinks?

Earlier this month, Icahn, the famed "activist shareholder," sent a lengthy letter to the Apple chief executive, which he also posted on the blogging platform Tumblr, so that the rest of us could read it as well. Most of the time, when Icahn takes a stake in a company, it is because the company is having problems; his missives are usually less than pleasant.

But that hardly describes Apple, which continues to churn out record profits and hot products like the recent iPhone 6. According to his letter, Icahn's investment firm, Icahn Enterprises, owns 53 million shares of the company's stock. He opens with words of praise for the company and Cook ("you are the ideal CEO for Apple"), and then lays out, at great length, his vision of how Apple will gain market share against its competitors.

There is just one problem, in Icahn's view. Unlike Icahn, the market is not giving Apple its due; its stock, he writes, is massively undervalued. And how does Icahn propose that Apple solve this problem? By having the company buy back its own shares. Icahn estimates that Apple's price should be at \$203, a

little more than double its current price around \$100 - and a share repurchase program is the best way to get there. (When a company buys back its own stock, its earnings per share go up because fewer shares are in circulation.)

Icahn has been down this road before with Apple and Cook; indeed it has been something of a theme with him in recent years. A year ago, for instance, Icahn was agitating for a \$150 billion buyback (which he later scaled back to \$50 billion). He didn't get it, but in April of this year, Cook and the Apple board approved a \$30 billion buyback, which came on top of a \$60 billion buyback the year before. Although Apple had more than \$100 billion in cash reserves, most of that money was locked up overseas because Apple didn't want to pay the taxes required to repatriate the money. So instead, it borrowed money to help finance its buybacks.

But to what end? Carl Icahn is hardly the sort of long-term investor who has the best interests of Apple at heart. As William Lazonick, an economist at the University of Massachusetts, Lowell, put it in a recent blog post: Massive buybacks reward those "who have contributed the least to Apple's products and profits."

"Icahn," he added, "has contributed absolutely nothing to Apple's success."

Lazonick is one of the biggest critics of buybacks in academia. Last month he published an article in Harvard Business Review, titled "Profits Without Prosperity," in which he made the case that buybacks hurt not only the company that is buying back the stock but also the country itself. Between 2003 and 2012, he noted, the 449 companies that were publicly listed in the S&P 500 index throughout that time spent 54 percent of their earnings buying back their own stock. That cost an astounding \$2.4 trillion - money that could have been

spent hiring workers or making capital investments.

And why have companies been so willing to buy back their own stock? Companies like to say they are buying their own stock to show faith in the company's future. Lazonick shreds such justifications, pointing out, for instance, that companies tend to buy stock when it is high, not when it is low.

Rather, he says, the critical incentive for buybacks has been that chief executives are paid primarily in stock. Share buybacks may remove capital from the company, but when they raise the stock price, they enrich the boss.

"The very people we rely on to make investments in the productive capabilities that will increase our shared prosperity are instead devoting most of their companies' profits to uses that will increase their own prosperity," he writes.

As for Apple, in the late 1980s and early 1990s, when John Sculley was chief executive, the company spent \$1.8 billion buying back its own stock. That was money it could have really used when the company then stumbled and needed to issue junk bonds - and issue \$150 million in convertible preferred stock to Microsoft - just to survive.

Things are different now, of course. Apple is the king of the hill. Which is why if any company ought to be able to give Carl Icahn the back of its hand, it should be Apple. It should be the one making decisions about how to deploy its capital, rather than bending to the wishes of an activist shareholder.

After Icahn's letter to Cook was published, the company pointed out that between buybacks and dividends, the company was already in the midst of "the largest capital return program in corporate history."

Enough already. Let's hope Tim Cook stops caring what Carl Icahn thinks. □



# The Final Toasts at a Gritty, Beloved Miami Tavern

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MIAMI - If a bar's essence could pull up a stool, throw back a few shots and bare its byzantine soul, stories would have gone on forever and last call might never have come. But before dawn Sunday, after decades as one of Miami's oldest, grittiest and most rollicking taverns, Tobacco Road called it quits.

Standing a few paces from the Miami River, the Road, as its devotees called it, had a knack for pulling Miami's opposites into its narrow confines. Prosecutors sat side by side with drug smugglers, models ambled past prostitutes, and blues legends shared space with unknowns of the music world.

It was a saloon with a pedigree. "The best dive possible, a real classy dive," said Terry Peters, a 60-year-old regular. It held the oldest active liquor license in the city. (Above the front door was this promise: "Hot & Cold Running Liquor.") But the two-story shotgun shack that housed Tobacco Road and its predecessors for nearly a century is about to take a tumble for modernity, a fall that echoes the story of Miami. High-rise construction cranes surround the tiny bar in what has become one of the city's trendiest neighborhoods, underscoring the idea that in this city, the shiny and new almost always defeat the shabby but venerated.

The owners sold the property, but were not supposed to leave until April. Then on Oct. 15, city officials posted a "repair or demolish" order on the bar's rear entrance, and the city's code inspectors broke with precedent from the days when about \$200 could buy a reprieve, said Kevin Rusk, one of the owners. Faced with huge costs to comply with the mandate, the owners decided to close their doors for good. As Sunday rolled around, bringing the Road's final last call, Joel Rivera stood before a bleary-eyed crowd at 4:40 a.m., a

megaphone in hand, sunglasses shielding his eyes. A blackboard behind the bar set the tone: "The End of Days." "Does everybody have a drink in their hands?" asked Rivera, the tavern's general manager, an optimist who is raising money with a partner to reboot the Road a block away, even as high-rise projects

for free, a tribute to a bar that had offered one of the best intimate spaces for live music, blues in particular. During the bar's modern-era heyday in the 1980s and 1990s, performers including John Lee Hooker, John Hammond and Koko Taylor played there. Others stopped by, too, sometimes unannounced - The

com. Upstairs, a speakeasy did brisk business. Prohibition had arrived early in Florida (1914) and the bakery, positioned so close to the seamy banks of the Miami River, set in motion the property's love affair with vice. The building later served as a gambling hideaway, with roulette wheels and bird cages, as a gay

mecca for those drowning in disco. The decadent and the destitute were equally welcome. Throughout the bar's last week, the reminiscences flowed.

There were tales of Doctor Feelgood, prosaically known as William Bell, a skinny, old ex-con whose finger poke was so authoritative that the Road's own-



**Blanch Johnson sits behind the outdoor stage during the last night at Tobacco Road, one of the city's oldest, grittiest, most rollicking bars, in Miami, Oct. 26, 2014. The two-story shotgun shack that housed Tobacco Road will take a tumble for modernity, as high-rise construction cranes surround the tiny bar in what has become one of Miami's trendiest neighborhoods.**

(Ryan Stone/The New York Times)

consume property nearby. The die-hards hoisted their cups. "Rest in peace," they shouted, tossing white paper napkins into the air. A new chant followed: "Free drinks! Free drinks!" Patrons followed Rivera outside as Tobacco Road's neon sign was switched off.

Four thousand patrons attended the raucous farewell party, which drained the bar of all its beer and nearly all its liquor. (A newcomer's naïve request for a relatively frilly mojito elicited the response, "Are you kidding?") A roster of beloved local bands played

Romantics, Joan Jett, Jimmy Buffett.

"The place had a glow," said Graham Wood Drout, the leader of Iko Iko, the Road's onetime house band, which played a send-off set Sunday morning. "You talk about genuine spirits, the things that happened inside those walls, good, bad and crazy. It's all there in that space." That space, built in 1915 and now sagging, began with a wholesome enough facade as a bakery, according to a chronicle of the Road by Casey Pickett, a blogger for Miami-History.

bar with drag queens and as a faltering striptease joint. So sordid was its reputation that during World War II, the military barred service members from visiting the bar, then known as Charlie's Tobacco Road, to hear its swing and jazz acts. In 1944, the place was raided and shut down for "lewd, wanton and lascivious" behavior.

A retired police officer bought it in 1977, then sold it in 1982 - when Miami was known for its race riots, refugees and cocaine cowboys - to young owners who turned it into a blues

ers made him a bouncer. For times when the finger failed, he kept a knife or gun in his back pocket. He slept on the porch next door. There were stories about the prostitutes, the drive-by shootings and a stranger staggering down the street with a butcher knife in his back. One day an accountant, newly ensconced in a halfway house for the criminally insane across the street, strode into the Road and demanded a beer by repeatedly slamming a chisel into the surface of the 44-foot wooden bar. □